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Convention of 1864.

On motion of Rev. George S. Converse,

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Rectors of Parishes to enforce the observance of the 1st Section of Canon 12, Title II, of the Digest.

On motion of the same,

Resolved, That the foregoing resolution, together with the Section of the Canon referred to, be printed upon the cover of the Journal.

Title II, Canon 12, Section 1.

A communicant removing from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removed shall not be required to receive him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced.

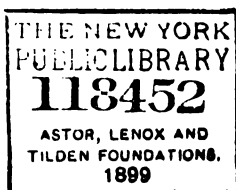
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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BOSTON,
Wednesday, May 17, 1876.

THIS being the day appointed for the Eighty-Sixth Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts, the BISHOP and several of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled in St. Paul's Church, Boston, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer to the Psalter was read by the Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, the Psalter by the Rev. DAVID G. HASKINS, the First Lesson by the Rev. EDMUND ROWLAND, the Second Lesson by the Rev. THEODOSIUS S. TYNG, the Creed and Prayers to the Litany by the Rev. ARTHUR C. A. HALL, the Litany by the Rev. WILLIAM MCGILATHERY; the Hymns were announced by the Rev. CHARLES A. RAND, who also read the Ante-Communion Service, the Rev. Dr. WELLS reading the Epistle, and the Rev. Dr. EDSON the Gospel. The BISHOP then gave notice that the Alms at the Offertory would be appropriated to the Episcopal Clerical Fund Society, and enforced the notice with commendatory remarks, and then delivered his

FIRST TRIENNIAL CHARGE.

The Offertory and the Prayer for the Church Militant were read by the Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, the Exhortation and Confession

by the Rev. GEORGE PACKARD, the Comfortable Words and Prayer of Humble Access by the Rev. Dr. CLINCH, and the Post Communion by the Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY.

The Rev. JULIUS H. WATERBURY, and the Rev. Messrs. LAWRENCE, MACKAY, and BENNITT, Deacons, collected the Alms.

The Communion was then administered by the BISHOP to the Clergy and to a large number of the Laity, being assisted in the distribution of the Elements by all the Clergy previously named as taking part in the Services.

The congregation having retired, the Chair was taken by the BISHOP, and the Convention called to order.

The subjoined list of Clergymen entitled to seats and votes in the Convention, furnished by the BISHOP, was then called over by the Secretary. The names of those who were not present during the Session are designated by being printed in *italics*.

The Rt. Rev. BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK, D. D.

The Rev. *Charles C. Adams.*

“ Alex. V. G. Allen.

“ Henry F. Allen.

“ Charles Arey, D. D.

“ *Benjamin W. Atwell.*

“ Charles H. Babcock.

“ Samuel R. Bailey.

“ Ithamar W. Beard.

“ John S. Beers.

“ John W. Birchmore.

“ Levi Boyer.

“ Phillips Brooks.

“ Wm. H. Brooks, D. D.

“ Belno A. Brown.

“ *Percy Browne.*

“ Alex. Burgess, D. D.

“ John T. Burrill.

“ Henry Burroughs.

The Rev. Franklin L. Bush.

“ Hiram Carleton.

“ Thos. G. Carver, D. D.

“ N. H. Chamberlain.

“ Francis Chase.

“ Jos. H. Clinch, s. t. d.

“ George S. Converse.

“ J. I. T. Coolidge, D. D.

“ *Andrew Crosswell.*

“ M. Douglass, D. D.

“ George W. Durell.

“ Theodore Edson, D. D.

“ John L. Egbert.

“ James S. Ellis.

“ Thomas F. Fales.

“ H. Warren Fay.

“ Justin Field.

“ James P. Franks.

The Rev. Benjamin R. Gifford.

- " Daniel Goodwin.
- " *Charles C. Grafton.*
- " Lewis Green.
- " Edward M. Gushee.
- " Arthur C. A. Hall.
- " *William R. Harris.*
- " *Joseph W. Hill.*
- " S. Hollingsworth, D.D.
- " Wm. R. Hooper, Jr.
- " Roger S. Howard, D.D.
- " Reginald H. Howe.
- " Geo. P. Huntington.
- " W.R. Huntington, D.D.
- " Charles L. Hutchins.
- " Joseph Jenks.
- " *Albin B. Jennings.*
- " Bryan B. Killikelly.
- " T. R. Lambert, S.T.D.
- " Wm. C. Langdon, D.D.
- " *Arthur Lawrence.*
- " William Lawrence.
- " Charles H. Learoyd.
- " William F. Lhoyd.
- " Henry Mackay.
- " Thomas J. Mackay.
- " William McGlathery.
- " William I. Magill.
- " L. C. Manchester.
- " Henry A. Metcalf.
- " Nathan W. Munroe.
- " T. Logan Murphy.
- " *Benjamin F. Newton.*
- " Frank L. Norton.

The Rev. George Packard.

- " *William P. Page.*
- " *Sam'l P. Parker, D.D.*
- " J. Sturgis Pearce.
- " Joshua R. Peirce.
- " George J. Prescott.
- " Charles A. Rand.
- " *James D. Reid.*
- " *Silas M. Rogers.*
- " Edmund Rowland.
- " Sumner U. Shearman.
- " George W. Shinn.
- " William W. Silvester.
- " *Samuel R. Slack.*
- " Edmund F. Slaughter.
- " Francis W. Smith.
- " Samuel S. Spear.
- " Orlando F. Starkey.
- " Peter H. Steenstra.
- " John S. Stone, D.D.
- " Edward H. True.
- " Theodosius S. Tyng.
- " R. B. Van Kleeck, D.D.
- " Alex. H. Vinton, D.D.
- " George Walker.
- " Julius H. Ward.
- " William Warland.
- " Julius H. Waterbury.
- " E. M. P. Wells, D.D.
- " William G. Wells.
- " *F. Wharton, D.D., LL.D.*
- " P. Williams, S.T.D.
- " J. Frank Winkley.
- " John Wright.

The Secretary then called over the list of clergymen entitled to seats but not to votes. Absentees in *italics*.

The Rev. Daniel G. Anderson.

" *Samuel R. Asbury.*
 " *Wm. R. Babcock, D.D.*
 " *William S. Bartlet.*
 " *Edward Benedict.*
 " *George S. Bennitt.*
 " *Abbott Brown.*
 " *Thomas Burgess.*
 " *Eli H. Canfield, D.D.*
 " *Freeborn Coggeshall.*
 " *Thomas Cole.*
 " *Benjamin F. Cooley.*
 " *Samuel Cutler.*
 " *Louis De Cormis.*
 " *George Denham.*
 " *John Downie.*
 " *Edward L. Drown.*
 " *Sam'l M. Emery, D.D.*
 " *Frederick H. Fisher.*
 " *Francis A. Foxcroft.*
 " *Frederick Freeman.*
 " *Walter R. Gardner.*

The Rev. Andrew Gray.

" *George Z. Gray.*
 " *David G. Haskins.*
 " *Osgood E. Herrick.*
 " *Nicholas Hoppin, D.D.*
 " *William A. Jenks.*
 " *Joseph Kidder.*
 " *Charles S. Lester.*
 " *George S. Paine.*
 " *Edmund B. Palmer.*
 " *Dexter Potter.*
 " *Daniel S. C. M. Potter.*
 " *Richard F. Putnam.*
 " *Robert C. Rogers.*
 " *Carlos Slaster.*
 " *Leonard K. Storrs.*
 " *James Thomson.*
 " *Treadwell Walden.*
 " *John L. Watson, D.D.*
 " *Charles Wingate.*
 " *William C. Winslow.*

The Secretary then called over the names of Parishes in union with the Convention, when the Lay Delegates from the same handed in the Certificates of their election. The names of those not present during the Session are printed in *italics*.

AMESBURY, ST. JAMES'S	{ <i>Peter Clark.</i> <i>Augustus K. Cole.</i> <i>Stephen C. Patten.</i>
AMHERST, GRACE	{ <i>Horace Ward.</i> <i>Dwight W. Palmer.</i> <i>Edward D. Bangs.</i>
ANDOVER, CHRIST	{ <i>Henry George Tyer.</i> <i>William Whitman.</i> <i>George H. Poor.</i>
ASHFIELD, ST. JOHN'S	{ }
BEVERLY, ST. PETER'S	{ <i>Austin D. Kilham.</i> <i>Charles H. Preston.</i> <i>John Dyson Lovett.</i>

BOSTON, ADVENT	{ George C. Shattuck, M. D. Richard H. Dana, Jr. John P. Tarbell.
BOSTON (DORCHESTER), ALL SAINTS' . . .	{ Joseph M. Churchill. Henry W. Emmons. Henry M. Snell.
BOSTON, CHRIST	{ Henry Walker. Edward McDonald. Thomas Mair.
BOSTON, EMMANUEL	{ William W. Morland, M. D. Francis B. Ellison. Jonathan French.
BOSTON (MATTAPAN), GRACE	{
BOSTON, MESSIAH	{ Causten Browne. Samuel Rice. Roderick Richardson.
BOSTON (HIGHLANDS), ST. JAMES'S	{ William Raymond Lee. Atherton Thayer Brown. Samuel Walker.
BOSTON (HIGHLANDS), ST. JOHN'S	{ James Rhodes. Joseph W. Abbott. William O. Lincoln.
BOSTON (CHARLESTOWN) ST. JOHN'S	{ George N. Fisher. George B. Neal. Luther C. Redfield.
BOSTON (JAMAICA PLAIN), ST. JOHN'S . . .	{ Thomas P. Procter. Frank W. Reynolds. John W. McKim.
BOSTON (EAST, ST. JOHN'S	{ William A. Parker. Henry Jones. Edmund Cullen.
BOSTON (BRIGHTON), ST. MARGARET'S . . .	{ Theodore T. S. Laidley. John H. Sturgis. George F. Henry.
BOSTON (DORCHESTER), ST. MARY'S	{ John P. Clapp. Daniel B. Steadman, Jr. Charles Emery.
BOSTON, ST. MARY, FOR SAILORS	{ James W. Earl. Richard L. Thomas. Joseph H. Wainwright.
BOSTON (SOUTH), ST. MATTHEW'S	{ Thomas Hill. J. Morton Clinch. Josiah Dunham.
BOSTON, ST. PAUL'S	{ Robert M. Mason. John P. Putnam. John S. Blatchford.
BOSTON, TRINITY	{ William G. Brooks. John C. Ropes. Hasket Derby, M. D.
BRIDGEWATER, TRINITY	{
BROOKLINE, ST. PAUL'S	{ James S. Amory. Mortimer C. Ferris. Henry S. Chase.

CAMBRIDGE, CHRIST	{ <i>John Gardner White.</i> <i>Benjamin Woodward.</i> <i>Samuel D. Sargent.</i>
CAMBRIDGE, ST. JAMES'S	{ <i>George Vincent.</i> <i>James M. Barker.</i> <i>Luke H. Whitney.</i>
CAMBRIDGE, ST. PETER'S	{ <i>William W. Dallinger.</i> <i>Justin A. Jacobs.</i> <i>Edward R. Cogswell, M. D.</i>
CHELSEA, ST. LUKE'S	{ <i>Alfred J. Mercer.</i> <i>Edward P. Conner.</i> <i>Jesse Briggs.</i>
DANVERS, CALVARY	{ <i>Daniel J. Preston.</i> <i>John S. Pratt.</i> <i>Benjamin R. Tibbets.</i>
DEDHAM, ST. PAUL'S	{ <i>Ira Cleveland.</i> <i>Thomas L. Wakefield.</i> <i>Frederick D. Ely.</i>
EASTHAMPTON, ST. PHILIP'S	{ <i>Nathaniel W. Farrar.</i> <i>Clarence E. Ware.</i>
FALL RIVER, ASCENSION	{ <i>John A. Carter.</i> <i>George W. Fraprie.</i> <i>Charles A. Holmes.</i>
FISKDALE, GRACE	{ <i>Alfred Hall.</i>
FITCHBURG, CHRIST	{ <i>William T. Grinnell.</i> <i>Dennis Fay.</i> <i>William W. Bailey.</i>
FRAMINGHAM, ST. JOHN'S	{ <i>James W. Brown.</i> <i>Alexander R. Esty.</i> <i>Arthur C. Blanchard.</i>
GLOUCESTER, ST. JOHN'S	{ <i>Frederick T. Hall.</i>
GREAT BARRINGTON, ST. JAMES'S	{ <i>William H. Parks.</i> <i>Egbert Hollister.</i> <i>John Milton Mackie.</i>
GREENFIELD, ST. JAMES'S	{ <i>Charles R. Field.</i> <i>Chester C. Conant.</i> <i>William Keith.</i>
HANOVER, ST. ANDREW'S	{ <i>Lemuel O. Waterman.</i> <i>Horati. Bigelow.</i> <i>Lloyd Briggs.</i>
HAVERHILL, TRINITY	{ <i>Edward F. Adams.</i> <i>William B. Kimball.</i> <i>Charles T. Chase.</i>
HOLYOKE, ST. PAUL'S	{ <i>William Grover.</i> <i>Elias P. Ford.</i> <i>T. B. Parsons.</i>
HOPKINTON, ST. PAUL'S	{ <i>Willard Wadsworth.</i> <i>William Kennedy.</i>
HYDE PARK, CHRIST	{ <i>Eben B. Page.</i> <i>Charles Woodward.</i> <i>Wilder Wellington.</i>



IPSWICH, ASCENSION	{
LANESBOROUGH, ST. LUKE'S	{
LAWRENCE, GRACE	{ <i>Henry Barton.</i> <i>Henry M. Whitney.</i> <i>James H. Kidder.</i>
LAWRENCE, ST. JOHN'S	{ <i>Frederick Butler.</i> <i>Horace C. Bacon.</i> <i>James Walton.</i>
LEE, ST. GEORGE'S	{ <i>Lucius Crocker.</i> <i>Thomas A. Oman.</i> <i>Henry H. Fitch.</i>
LENOX, TRINITY	{
LONGWOOD, OUR SAVIOUR	{ <i>Samuel L. Bush.</i> <i>S. Dona Hayes.</i> <i>J. Mitchell Clark.</i>
LOWELL, ST. ANNE'S	{ <i>William A. Burke.</i> <i>William Kelley.</i> <i>Oliver E. Cushing.</i>
LOWELL, ST. JOHN'S	{ <i>Samuel I. Gibby.</i> <i>W. H. Dennis.</i> <i>Henry P. Webber.</i>
LYNN, ST. STEPHEN'S	{ <i>William F. Johnson.</i> <i>Edward S. Davis.</i> <i>Enoch S. Johnson.</i>
MALDEN, ST. PAUL'S	{ <i>J. Edward Burt.</i> <i>F. D. S. Jones.</i> <i>George M. Attwood.</i>
MARBLEHEAD, ST. MICHAEL'S	{ <i>Richmond F. Marden.</i> <i>James B. Batcheller.</i> <i>John W. Blaney.</i>
MEDFORD, GRACE	{ <i>Charles B. Crockett.</i> <i>Benjamin P. Hollis.</i> <i>John B. Folger.</i>
MELROSE, TRINITY	{ <i>William L. Williams.</i> <i>Royal P. Barry.</i> <i>James Richmond Baras.</i>
MILFORD, TRINITY	{ <i>Charles Dove.</i> <i>George G. Parker.</i> <i>J. I. C. Cooke.</i>
MILLVILLE, ST. JOHN'S	{ <i>Henry S. Mansfield.</i> <i>Benjamin Booth.</i> <i>Matthew A. Blanchard.</i>
NANTUCKET, ST. PAUL'S	{ <i>Charles H. Starbuck.</i> <i>William Weston.</i>
NEW BEDFORD, GRACE	{ <i>C. B. H. Fessenden.</i> <i>Edmund Rodman.</i> <i>James Munroe.</i>
NEWBURYPORT, ST. PAUL'S	{ <i>Nathaniel Foster.</i> <i>David Wood.</i>

NEWTON, GRACE	{ Edwin F. Waters. Adin B. Underwood. William S. Gardner.
NEWTON, MESSIAH	{ Gardiner P. Gates. John Renton, M. D.
NEWTON, ST. MARY'S	{ George Mills. George Spring. John Pulcifer.
NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH, GRACE	{ Eugene K. Dunbar. Edward E. Barrows. Oliver Stanley.
NORTH ADAMS, ST. JOHN'S	{ Charles H. Read. Joseph Read. Frank Darby.
NORTHAMPTON, ST. JOHN'S	{ William C. Robinson. Lewis Warner. William Wurnock.
OXFORD, GRACE	{
PITTSFIELD, ST. STEPHEN'S	{ Edward Bollwood. W. Ed. Vermilye. Walter Cutting.
PLYMOUTH, CHRIST	{
QUINCY, CHRIST	{ William L. Wainwright. William Greenough. Charles F. Shimmmin.
ROCHDALE, CHRIST	{ Elbridge G. Carlton. Isaac B. Hartwell. John F. Hill Rouse.
SALEM, GRACE	{ Benjamin Shreve. Daniel B. Hagar. Leverett S. Tuckerman.
SALEM, ST. PETER'S	{ Francis Cox. George R. Curwin. John P. Peabody.
SHEFFIELD, CHRIST	{
SOMERVILLE, EMMANUEL	{ Reuben P. Benton. Samuel Reynolds, Jr. George E. Bennett.
SOMERVILLE (EAST), ST. THOMAS'S	{ Alexander Wood. Douglas Frazar. Caleb Duxbury.
SOUTH ADAMS, ST. MARK'S	{
SOUTHBOROUGH, ST. MARK'S	{ Joseph Burnett. Leander W. Newton. Harry Burnett.
SOUTH GROVELAND, ST. JAMES'S	{ B. Robert Downes. Edward C. Peabody. William H. Parker.



SOUTH LINCOLN, ST. ANNE'S	{ Charles E. Smith. Howard Snelling. John Tasker.
SPRINGFIELD, CHRIST	{ George W. Winchester. John B. Stebbins. James D. Safford.
STOCKBRIDGE, ST. PAUL'S	{ Daniel B. Fenn. John Winthrop. Mason Van Deusen.
SWANSEA, CHRIST	{
TAUNTON, ST. THOMAS'S	{ Edmund H. Bennett. Henry M. Lovering. William H. Bent.
TAUNTON, ST. JOHN'S	{ Samuel L. Crocker. Henry A. Weedon. John Holland.
VANDEUSENVILLE, TRINITY	{ John H. Coffing. Isaac Van Deusen. Charles M. Ball.
WAKEFIELD, EMMANUEL	{
WALTHAM, CHRIST	{ Otis E. Hunt, M. D. Moses E. Osgood. Rufus G. Brown.
WEBSTER, RECONCILIATION	{ James Henry Howe. James H. Marshall. William S. Slater.
WESTFIELD, ATONEMENT	{ Horatio Knight Bellows. Frank E. Russell. Lemuel Jepson.
WEYMOUTH, TRINITY	{ Edward Avery. William S. Wallace Samuel W. Reed.
WILKINSONVILLE, ST. JOHN'S	{ Jephthah P. Newton. Edward Anderson. Nehemiah B. Chase.
WOBURN, TRINITY	{ James Folsom. John Henry Symonds. Joseph McCarthy.
WOOD'S HOLE, MESSIAH	{ Joseph Story Fay. Fial T. Fish. Charles E. Hatch.
WORCESTER, ALL SAINTS'	{ Francis H. Dewey. Meltah B. Green. Edward L. Davis.
WRENTHAM, TRINITY	{ David N. Fales. James E. Pollard. David T. Stone.

The BISHOP announced the following Committee on Qualifications: —

The Rev. ITHAMAR W. BEARD, The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, WILLIAM W. DALLINGER.

The Lists of the Clergy and the Certificates of Lay Delegates were handed to this Committee.

Resolved, That this Convention now adjourn, to meet at 4 o'clock this P. M.

Adjourned.

4 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. ITHAMAR W. BEARD, from the Committee on Qualifications, made the following Report:—

The Committee on Qualifications respectfully report that they have examined the List of Clerical Delegates to the Convention, and find it correct, with the exception of the Rev. H. W. Fay, whose name should be added to the List of Delegates entitled to a vote, he having resigned his parish on account of infirm health.

They also report the Lay Certificates correct, with the exception of those from Emmanuel Church, Boston; Grace Church, Medford; St. John's, East Boston; and All Saints', Dorchester Lower Mills, which are defective by reason of having been signed by but one warden. They also find three certificates wrong in form and defective in date, bearing the names of John R. Briggs, William B. Saxton, and H. D. Train, delegates from Christ Church, with no date and no place mentioned where the parish is situated.

With regard to the certificate from St. John's, Boston Highlands, which states that the notice for the Easter meeting had not been affixed to the church doors for the full period which the canon requires, they would recommend that the delegates be admitted to their seats in Convention.

For the Committee.

ITHAMAR W. BEARD, *Chairman*.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BROOKS, —

Resolved, That the above report be accepted, so far as there is no objection made to the same.

On motion of Dr. SHATTUCK, —

Resolved, That the Rev. H. WARREN FAY be admitted to a seat and vote in the Convention.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the delegates from the parishes reported defective in the above report be admitted, with the request that the signature of the other warden be added.



On motion of the Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, —

Resolved, That the above resolution be amended so as to read, "These parishes shall be admitted so soon as the name of the other warden shall be added to the certificate."

On motion of Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, —

Resolved, That the second calling of the roll of the clergy be dispensed with.

A quorum being present, the BISHOP declared the Convention open for business.

On motion of Dr. SHATTUCK, —

Resolved, That in the election of a secretary, balloting be dispensed with.

On nomination of Dr. SHATTUCK, the Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S. T. D., was re-elected.

On motion of JUDGE BENNETT, —

Resolved, That in the election of a treasurer, balloting be dispensed with.

On nomination of the same, —

Resolved, That the Rev. Charles H. Learoyd be re-elected treasurer.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BROOKS, —

Resolved, That the reading of the Rules of Order be dispensed with.

The BISHOP then appointed the following Committees: —

On New Parishes	{	The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE. " " ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D. D. " " SAMUEL S. SPEAR. GEORGE H. POOR. DANIEL P. CROCKER.
Constitution and Canons	{	The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D. " " THOMAS F. FALES. " " WM. R. HUNTINGTON, D. D. ROBERT M. MASON. CAUSTEN BROWNE.
Executive Committee	{	The Rev. EDWARD H. TRUE. " " FRANK L. NORTON. WILLIAM G. BROOKS.
Committee on Unfinished Business .	{	The Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER. BENJAMIN WOODWARD. WILLIAM L. WILLIAMS.
Committee on Finance	{	The Rev. WILLIAM McGLATHERY. GEORGE B. NEAL. CHESTER C. CONANT.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Brooks, —

Resolved, That clergymen belonging to other dioceses, candidates for Holy Orders in this diocese, former members of this Convention, the Committee on Hospitality, and the Church Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Paul's Church, Boston, be invited to honorary seats in this body.

The following appeared and took seats in the Convention : —

The Rev. SAMUEL H. WEBB, of the Diocese of Rhode Island.

" " ROBERT H. PAYNE, " " " "

" " H. C. CUNNINGHAM, " " " "

" " ROBERT MURRAY, JR., " " " "

" " CHARLES H. BIXBY, " " Long Island.

" " WILLIAM P. TUCKER.

EDWIN WALTER GOULD, candidate for Holy Orders, Massachusetts.

The BISHOP then delivered his ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Bishop Paddock's Address.

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

Conscious of the very large draft made on your time and patience this morning by the delivery of my Triennial Charge, I shall confine my Annual Address, with two or three exceptions, to the canonically required statement of facts; and these records shall be read only by epitome, leaving the details for the printed page. But all of these will lie on your table during the session, and may be called up by any member.

The very laborious and effective session of our last Annual Convention closed late at night on the 29th of April, 1875. On the following day I began the official work of the new year by the examination of five candidates for Holy Orders, in company with our laborious and conscientious co-workers, the Examining Chaplains. The statistics of the year's work I read in brief, the details being printed below.

I have confirmed in —

Newton	11	Amherst	9
Boston, St. Paul's . . .	32	Holyoke	11
Medford	3	West Springfield . . .	8
Boston, Good Shepherd .	24	Springfield	34
Bridgewater	5	Lawrence, St. John's .	71
Brockton	9	" Grace * . . .	27
Hanover	4	Wood's Hole	4
Westfield	8	Malden	9
Easthampton	7	Lincoln	5
Northampton	14	North Attleboro' . . .	2

* Here and elsewhere there are credited to the parish those only who belong to it. Others present are credited to their own parishes.

Somerville, St. Thomas'	31	Boston, Advent	64
Weymouth	9	Cambridge, St. John's Me-	
Quincy	11	morial	4
East Cambridge	26	Arlington	8
Danvers	7	Boston (Dorchester), St.	
Beverly	6	Mary's	11
Gloucester	2	Longwood	10
North Adams	2	Hyde Park	9
South Adams	6	Boston (Washington Vil-	
Williamstown	2	lage)	5
Lanesboro'	1	Boston, St. Matthew's	55
Pittsfield	7	Worcester, All Saints'	31
Sheffield	4	" St. Matthew's	3
Van Deusenville	4	Boston, Jamaica Plain	4
Gt. Barrington	6	West Newton	3
Stockbridge	9	Marblehead	12
South Lee	6	Dedham	25
Lee	1	" Oakdale Mission	8
Lenox	4	Lowell, St. John's	5
Clinton	12	" St. Ann's	21
Webster	11	Boston, St. Matthew's Mis-	
Wilkinsonville	1	sion	5
Boston, St. Mark's	16	Melrose	9
Newton Lower Falls	14	Woburn	8
Peabody	5	Southboro'	3
Wakefield	3	Cambridge, St. Peter's	15
Framingham	5	Somerville, Emmanuel	4
Natick	2	Marlboro'	4
Fall River	1	Charlestown	27
Hopkinton	2	Boston (Dorchester), All	
Milford	2	Saints'	6
Cambridge, St. James'	15	Boston, St. Stephen's	8
East Boston	21	" Emmanuel (Church	
Chelsea	8	and Mission)	52
Fitchburg	19	Taunton, St. Thomas's	13
New Bedford	9	" St. John's	15
Boston, St. Mary's, for		Haverhill, Trinity	18
Sailors	2	Amesbury	4

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Newburyport	20	Andover	9
Boston (Highlands), St. John's	17	Salem, Grace	6
Boston, Messiah	23	“ St. Peter's	13
Boston (Brighton), St. Margaret's	3	Lynn	27
Brookline	13	Ipswich	2
Boston, Trinity	35	Haverhill, St. John Evangelist's	8
“ Christ	15	South Groveland	11
“ (Highlands), St. James'	19	Waltham	13
		Cambridge, Christ	21

Making in all 1,312 confirmed on 120 different occasions. The summary of all official acts and important statistics will read as follows: —

Baptized	3
Confirmed	1,312
Celebrations of the Holy Communion	26
Sermons preached	138
Addresses delivered	135
Catechizings with address	12
Other public services	42
Theological Examinations, Trustee and Committee Meetings, etc.	103
Marriages	5
Burials	2
Lay-readers, present number	49
Postulants (admitted, 10), present number	14
Candidates for Priests' Orders (admitted, 4), present number	15
Ordinations (Deacons, 4 ; Presbyters, 4)	8
Clergymen deceased	2
“ deposed	1
“ instituted	2
“ received	19

Clergymen transferred	12
“ now of the Diocese (Bishop, 1 ; Priests, 142 ; Deacons, 5)	148
Corner-stone laid	1
Churches consecrated	4
Bishop-Elect, consents given	2
“ consecrated	1

Early this spring the Church was called to mourn over its loss, and to bless God for a good example, as the venerable Bishop Johns of Virginia was bidden to enter into the joy of his Lord. He was a man of singular purity and sincerity, firm in his own convictions, but kindly towards others who differed with him, loyal and true in the administration of his own Diocese, wise and loving in his acts and counsels for and with the general Church.

Just one week after our last Council closed, the Rev. Edwin B. Chase passed from us, after a long and painful illness, to his everlasting reward. And last October his uncle, the Rev. Moses B. Chase, a venerable, meek, and saintly man, followed him. The former was full of holy activity and fruitful in good works until the relentless disease seized him, at St. Peter's, Cambridge, two years before. That Church and Parish is his monument, and blessed, fragrant memories will for a long time keep it decorated with better than leafy and floral decorations. His end was peace and his works do follow him. The other and aged man of God was one who was a shock of corn fully ripe, and we could only bless God for a heavenly-minded old age, a spotless record, work well done, and an abundant entrance into the eternal mansions.

As my eye scans the year of labors, trials, and joys now closed, I must put on record my profound gratitude to God that mercy and goodness still mark His dealings with us. I earnestly pray that it may be for good to His Church that, last midsummer, His angels were bidden to bear up in their hands your Bishop, and pluck him, with only simple fractures, from peril of instant death ; as also that last mid-winter your love and prayers brought to him

and his abundant consolation from the Holy Ghost, the Comforter, in one of the great sorrows of his life.

I cannot deny, in my survey of the diocesan field, that I see some trials and anxieties in our past year and our present condition. I have had some heaviness of heart for our noblest Charities, our once hopeful educational schemes, our church-building enterprises, our parish life in feeble places, our now expanded and vigorous diocesan missionary work. Perhaps this Diocese never saw a year of such natural difficulties. The present financial distress, so long protracted, is hurting almost every parish in the diocese, and almost crippling some. I fear for the trial that may come on some of the already meagrely-supported ministers of the Church.

I have discovered in some parishes floating debts allowed to increase and ministers' salaries unpaid. And I have been grieved that no counsel of mine has availed to save the Church of God the scandal in two instances of suits at law over unadjusted money accounts between Christ's ministers and people, with the house of God seized by sheriffs' hands, or closed and silent for months through a discouragement which I have thus far been powerless to remove.

But on the other hand I see marvellous cheer in these hard times. Many are our tokens of vigor. The confirmations number 159 more than last year, 226 more than the year before, and 312 more than the highest numbers ever reached during any diocesan year prior to these. Many of our churchly works are vigorous. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents is expanding; the Church Home holds it own and more; the little but wise and loyal Sisterhood at Haverhill, thoroughly known and approved by the Bishop in its rules, methods, and purposes, is gaining; St. Mark's School, Southboro', is strong in numbers and achievement; the Church Association is stronger than ever before. The Woman's Work for the merciful remembrance of our foreign missionaries, living and dead, is doing well; the Mexican League is ready to tell its wonderful story to our Massachusetts churchmen; and the Dakotah

League has rallied from the seemingly irreparable loss occasioned by the removal of its noble President to Central New York, there to do a greater work still. In the line of church building or renovating there is movement. Below you will read the names of 13 churches and chapels in building or completed since the last Convention. Besides which, substantial improvements have been or are being made in the Rectory of Christ Church, Andover; in that of Christ Church, Cambridge; in both Emmanuel and St. Thomas' Church, Somerville; in St. John's, Northampton; St. James', Amesbury; Grace Mission Chapel, Boston; Trinity, Haverhill; while young St. James', Cambridge, itself dependent on missionary aid two years ago, is completing its own Mission Chapel. St. George's, Lee, has a noble memorial of the Rev. Wm. Gill, of Colorado, in a new organ. How cheering to all good churchmen is the story of the extinction of the debt of St. Thomas', Somerville, and of St. Matthew's, South Boston; and of the brave effort of the Assistant of Emmanuel, Boston, among the poor of West End; and of the splendid revival of St. Mark's, Boston; and of the beautiful little church of St. John the Evangelist, Haverhill, wholly the gift, with its loving ministrations also, of its devout pastor; and of the Oakdale Chapel, Dedham, the gift of a single household of that parish; and of the handsome gift of land for the Chapel of St. Mary's, Dorchester.

And I am persuaded, dear Brethren of the Clergy and Laity, that we are entitled to a buoyant hope and much thankfulness as we review that great interest of the Church, its Diocesan Missions. No amount of prevailing pecuniary distress can mar the evidence that this Church is rising to a higher plane in the appreciation of its duty. During the five years immediately preceding the organization of our Diocesan Board of Missions in May, 1874 ("years of plenty"), the two societies that stood in the place of our present Diocesan Board received contributions as follows, viz. the Church Missionary Society, from an average of $17\frac{1}{2}$ churches each year, and the Parish Aid Society, from an average of 36 churches; both societies, therefore, reaching $53\frac{1}{2}$ churches each year. But the



Board reached 87 churches, receiving 139 different offerings during its first year, and 101 churches, with 191 offerings during its second, just closed; being an average of 94 churches against 53½ under the old divided method. Nor would the result be greatly changed by the supplementary work done by Convocations before 1874. So that we bless God that the heaven has reached, although not permeated, nearly the whole lump, as shown by the fact that all of those Parishes and Diocesan Missions under regular pastoral care most of the year have offered of their wealth or their poverty to the cause of the Diocesan Board. Why the mere remnant of vigorous churches have not wrought with the Diocesan Church in its work is not conjectured by your Bishop.

The amounts offered afford the same encouragement when seen in the true light. If you leave out of the account the moneys which were not the gift of *parishes*, through collections, but were credited as "Donations," or as from "Trustees," you will have the Parish Aid Society (the stronger of the two old organizations) in the yearly receipt of an average of \$48.03 from each of its 36 contributing churches during the five years; but the Board has had an average receipt of \$67.71 a year from each of its 94 churches. Or, if you please, inquire after the average returns made to the societies during the five years and the two years respectively, by the churches aided. The two older societies received from 46 churches aided \$396.66 each year for five years, which is \$6.72 a year from each church. But during the Board's first year 34 of these 46 churches returned \$825.19, which is \$24.27 for each church against \$6.72 as before.

Again, the Board received during its first year (apart from specials above alluded to), \$6,603.70, and during its second, \$7,601.68, being an average of \$7,102.69 a year, which is \$1,549 higher than was reached in any year from parish contributions by both the old societies, and \$2,499 higher than their yearly average of joint receipts during the five years of our comparison.

I am to-day informed that I may now cite the crowning argument of all, viz. that the Board of Missions stands before you

free from all indebtedness. The Lord's name be praised! God bless the giver, unknown to me, whose munificent offering last night has put a *Te Deum* into the hearts of all members of this Diocesan Church!

How much of all the foregoing admirable exhibit is due to a few noble co-workers in the promotion of interest you all know. We owe a debt of gratitude to the skilful managers of our little missionary Quarterly, "The Diocese." And it is my honest belief that to no Bishop, Presbyter, Board, or Parish is the cause of Diocesan Missions in Massachusetts so much indebted for its prosperity, under God, as to the systematic, ceaseless, tireless, self-sacrificing labors of one layman, John S. Blatchford, our treasurer. So much I will for once say outright, despite all shocks to modesty, and no man shall hinder me.

But after all, dear co-workers in the kingdom of Christ, are we not all agreed that there are greater considerations than mere pecuniary success? Is it not something that we no longer stand alone among American Dioceses, vacating the Church's office and relegating the Church's work to voluntary agencies beyond her control? Is not the Church's efficiency promoted when, out of a total of forty-one parishes and missions on our Diocesan Mission list, only one is unsupplied? I do not wonder at our growth in charity, also, now that we have taken solemn resolution, and proved by organization, and made public declaration by canonical enactment, that, in our great work for Christ and a dying world, we are brethren, —

" We are not divided,
All one body we,
One in hope and doctrine,
One in charity."

How wisely and lovingly that venerable and beloved man,* the rector of St. Anne's, Lowell, spoke, eleven years ago, before a large assemblage of his brethren, when he said, "If we have a clear mission to propagate and establish the Church in Massachusetts, we should be united in the work. United in the one Church, united in the

* The Rev. Dr. Edson, in his essay on "Independency and the Church," at the Union Meeting of the District Missionary Associations of the Diocese, Feb. 1, 1865.



same ministry, the same faith, the same sacraments, the same joint worship, if our working machinery be divided into two separate organizations, does it not seem to contradict the fact that we are so united? . . . If we say that we are united in the Church, but cannot work together and must separate on matters of opinion, do we not seem to put forth opinion as the stronger ligament? . . . I am aware that it may be said that more money is raised by the two competing organizations than could be by either alone; but what is the feeling, the spirit, appealed to on either part? Is it not the spirit of part against part? . . . And if such be the effect, though more be raised than could have been by an appeal for the Church, yet is it well to create and continue a separate organization for the purpose of appeal to the feelings of a part to sustain the opinion of a part? And may not the deterioration, in the long run, be of more account against the Church than all the additional moneys in its favor?"

These are wise, prophetic, catholic utterances, which I should only weaken should I attempt to re-inforce them.

I have but one further suggestion to make in your hearing to-day. A review of our diocesan records and some careful observation have impressed on my mind grave doubts as to the wisdom of leaving the creation of a corporate parish in any town or village to the sole discretion of any presbyter or deacon, connected or disconnected with the Diocese. It is pretty generally conceded that a *Mission* is the safer, freer, more efficient form of association where the Church's work is experimental, where little can as yet be done to support the ministry, and where ill-instructed and perhaps irreligious men are the only possible candidates for a vestry. All wise, far-seeing, intelligent plans for development may be thwarted by a vestry well-meaning but incompetent, and a Bishop, a Board of Missions, a Rector robbed of the independence and power which belong to a Missionary, and a Diocese represented in spite of itself by a heterogeneous but real parish, — all may suffer by the too hasty clothing of weakness and incompetency with power. Then, too, the new parish may be so planted that it never can be self-sustaining, and must, after the first flush of effort,

become a burden for the Diocese to carry for generations, unless it come to the painful resolution to look on and see the child die rather than adopt it. The begetter of the child may abandon it whenever he pleases, bequeathing it only a heritage of debt. The parish may possibly have grown out of a little company's vexation with their former parish, which soil has not much depth of earth; it may be a creation of ambition not counting the cost, or a mere proprietary chapel, or a temporary place for a minister temporarily resident in the neighborhood. And if it seek admission to the Convention, its votes may represent nothing while it lives, and may be very wrongly utilized in great issues, while otherwise it seems dead; and its name may remain a monument of the Church's failure, and an obstacle to a new enterprise in its place for a generation to come; while, if it shun union with Convention, it shuns all the burdens and expects all the benefits of the Episcopal name, office, and polity.

Possibly, it may be wise for these assembled legislators for the Church, as they finish their great and lasting work, the creation of the new Constitution and Canons, to consider whether the diocese can afford to leave it free to any clergyman whatsoever to create new parishes wheresoever he pleases, which he may bequeath, against its will and judgment, to a Diocese whose historic progress is marked by too many such incorporated failures already.

One other duty I am bound by Art. XII, Sect. 3, of the Constitution of the Diocese to discharge. I report to the Convention the names of Grace Church, Chicopee, and Our Redeemer, Holliston, as having (to the best of my knowledge and belief) for the past three years ceased reporting to the Convention, and not having employed, or made application for, the regular services of a clergyman. If the facts be so, the connection with the Convention is forfeited, and the parishes are no longer entitled to representation. The Committee on Qualifications may well be asked by you to report on this matter.

Brethren beloved and honored, I commend you and the work for which you are assembled to God and to the Word of His grace, which, and which alone, is able to build us up.



APPENDIX I.

I append lists of interest and value (most of which are required by canon) under three heads.

I. HELPERS AND SEEKERS OF THE SACRED MINISTRY.

1. LAY READERS.

(Holding License till Advent, 1876.)

John T. Adams.	James W. Brown.
Wm. R. Wills.	J. D. W. French.
Henry L. Parker.	Joseph Hale.
Samuel L. Crocker.	Charles E. Palmer.
Gardiner P. Gates.	Edward O. Stanley.
George W. Wiggins.	A. B. Underwood.
Levi F. Warren.	Edward Cata.
George W. Cloak.	George T. Stoddard.
Fred. A. Warner.	A. Lawrence Lowell.
William C. Lovering.	Edgar W. Upton.
William H. Bent.	Andrew A. Harwood.
George E. Osgood.	Augustine H. Amory.
John D. McConkey.	Robert H. Gardner.
Henry P. Webber.	J. A. Penniman.
C. O. Tillotson.	Arthur H. Barrington.
Thomas Mair.	Thomas B. Howard.
Edmund H. Bennett.	A. D. Minor.
C. A. Reed.	W. D. Vermilye.
Chester C. Conant.	Fred. Leake.
Charles Ely.	John H. Sturgis.
Alex. R. Esty.	Edward A. Keiley.
Charles B. H. Fessenden.	Henry M. Snell.
H. M. Lovering.	F. L. H. Barton.
John T. Rose.	George R. Curwen.
Reuben Kidner.	

2. POSTULANTS.

Jeremiah Cressey,	Admitted	Feb. 13, 1874.
William A. Corwin,	"	Apr. 21, "
David J. Ayers,	"	July 24, "
Henry J. Sheridan,	"	" " "
George S. Atwood,	"	June 10, 1875.
William E. Hyde,	"	Sept. 10, "
Thomas A. Hyde,	"	" " "
John A. Bevington,	"	" 13, "
John H. Sellers,	"	" " "
James E. Wilkinson,	"	" " "
Fred. W. Peterson,	"	" 21, "
Melville K. Bailey,	"	Jan. 5, 1876.
John B. Seward, Jr.,	"	" " "
Edmund R. Woodman,	"	" 20, "

3. CANDIDATES FOR PRIESTS' ORDERS.

William Lawrence (Deacon),	Admitted	Oct. 7, 1871.
Thomas J. Mackay,	"	Mar. 3, 1873.
William H. Groton,	"	Nov. 3, "
George R. Wheelock,	"	" " "
William F. Cheney,	"	July 8, 1874.
Edwin W. Gould,	"	Sept. 7, "
Edwin D. Mead,	"	Dec. 2, "
George E. Osgood,	"	" 10, "
Walter Baker,	"	Jan. 9, 1875.
John D. McConkey,	"	" " "
John T. Rose,	"	Feb. 1, "
Reuben Kidner,	"	July 19, "
Arthur H. Barrington,	"	Sept. 10, "
Charles J. Palmer,	"	Dec. 10, "
Charles E. Stowe,	"	Jan. 4, 1876.

II. THE CLERGY RECORD.

1. CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS-ELECT.

Consents Given.

John H. H. Brown, s. t. d., Fond du Lac.

William E. McLaren, s. t. d., Illinois.

Aided to Consecrate.

John H. H. Brown, s. t. d., Fond du Lac.

2. ORDINATIONS TO THE DIACONATE.

June 15, 1875.	Thomas Jones Mackay, in St. John's, Boston Highlands.
" 20, "	William Lawrence, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
" " "	William R. Hooper, Jr., in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
" " "	Charles McIlvaine Nicholson, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.

3. ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD.

June 6, 1875.	John Lightner Egbert, in Christ Church, Springfield.
" " "	Sumner U. Shearman, " " " "
Nov. 3, "	William R. Hooper, Jr., in Christ Church, Waltham.
Mar. 8, "	Thomas Burgess, " " " Springfield.

4. INSTITUTED.

May 13, 1875.	T. Logan Murphy, in Christ Church, Fitchburg.
Jan. 27, 1876.	Wm. Chauncey Langdon, d. d., Christ Church, Cambridge.

5. RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES.

May 14, 1875.	Malcolm Douglass, d. d., from Vermont.
June 15, "	Henry A. Metcalf, from Connecticut.
July 5, "	Francis W. Smith, from Vermont.
" 27, "	Francis Chase, from New Hampshire.
" 28, "	George Walker, from Albany.
Aug. 3, "	Chas. H. Babcock, from Long Island.
" 24, "	Samuel Hollingsworth, d. d., from New York.
" 30, "	Julius H. Ward, from Maine.
Sept. 8, "	Joseph Jenks, from Maine.
Oct. 14, "	Charles Arey, d. d., from Western New York.
" 27, "	Thomas G. Carver, d. d., from Kansas.
Dec. 10, "	Walter H. Gardner, from New York.
" 31, "	Andrew Gray, from Nova Scotia.
Jan. 11, 1876.	Wm. Chauncey Langdon, d. d., from Maryland.
" 31, "	Thomas Cole, from Albany.
Feb. 14, "	Daniel G. Anderson, from Albany.
Mar. 14, "	George S. Bennett (Deacon), from Long Island.
May 3, "	Benjamin F. Cooley, from N. New Jersey.
" 15, "	George Zabriskie Gray, d. d., from N. New Jersey.

6. TRANSFERRED* TO OTHER DIOCESES.

May, 1875.	Wm. W. Newton, to Northern New Jersey.
June 10, "	Wm. H. Gallagher, to Albany.
July 2, "	Joseph H. Young (Deacon), to New York.
Aug. 2, "	Arthur Ritchie, to Illinois.
Oct. 12, "	Chas. McIlvaine Nicholson (Deacon), to Long Island.
Nov. 23, "	George G. Jones, to Vermont.
Oct. 9, "	J. Melville Benedict, to Central New York.
Jan. 8, 1876.	Lorenzo G. Stevens, to Frederickton.
" 22, "	George D. Johnson, to New York.
" 23, "	Charles A. Holbrook, to New Hampshire.
Feb. 11, "	Joseph S. Jenckes, Jr., to Iowa.
May 8, "	William Binet, to Albany.

7. DEPOSED.

Nov. 14, 1875. John Robertson, Presbyter, in St. John's, Framingham.

8. DECEASED.

May 6, 1875. Edwin B. Chase.
Oct. 21, " Moses B. Chase.

9. RESIGNATIONS.

W. W. Newton, Rector, St. Paul's, Brookline.
S. R. Bailey, officiating, All Saints', Dorchester, and Grace, Mattapan.
Chas. Wingate, Rector, Trinity, Melrose.
B. E. Gifford, Rector, Trinity, Bridgewater, and Missionary at Brockton and East Bridgewater.
E. L. Drown, Rector, St. Stephen's, Lynn.
L. De Cormis, Rector, St. John's, Taunton.
E. H. Canfield, D. D., officiating, St. John's, North Adams.
John Robertson, Assistant, Advent, Boston.
Arthur Ritchie, " " "
R. F. Putnam, Rector, St. Mary's, Newton.
H. Mackay, Rector, St. Matthew's, Worcester.
W. McGlathery, Rector, Ascension, Fall River.
Geo. D. Johnson, Rector, St. Paul's, Newburyport.
O. E. Herrick, Chaplain U. S. Army, Fort Warren.
Wm. R. Hooper, Jr., Rector, St. Paul's, Nantucket.
Chas. S. Lester, Rector, St. Paul's, Holyoke.
A. Brown, Rector, St. John's, Jamaica Plain.

10. ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

F. Chase, Rector, St. John's, Framingham.
J. H. Ward, Rector, St. Michael's, Marblehead.
S. Hollingsworth, D. D., Rector, St. James', Greenfield.
W. H. Harris, Missionary, St. Paul's, Otis.
Thos. J. Mackay (Deacon), Assistant, St. John's, Boston Highlands.
F. W. Smith, Rector, Messiah, West Newton.
Wm. Lawrence (Deacon), Assistant, Grace, Lawrence.
Wm. R. Hooper (Deacon), Rector, St. Paul's, Nantucket.
B. R. Gifford, officiating, St. Paul's, Natick.
S. R. Bailey, Rector, Christ, Rochdale; Missionary, Cherry Valley.
J. W. Birchmore, Missionary, Clinton.
Wm. Warland, Missionary, East Cambridge.
Chas. Wingate, officiating, St. John Evangelist's,† Haverhill.
D. G. Haskins, Rector, St. John's,† Arlington.
H. A. Metcalf, Rector, Trinity, Melrose.

* The date given is that of my receipt of acceptance of Transfer.

† Recently created; not yet known to Convention.

E. H. True, Rector, St. John's, Taunton.
 W. McGlathery, Rector, St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.
 Geo. Walker, Missionary, Peabody and Wakefield.
 Thos. G. Carver, D. D., Missionary, Brockton.
 Joseph Jenks, Rector, Bridgewater; Missionary, East Bridgewater.
 F. L. Bush, officiating, St. Paul's, Hopkinton; Missionary, ~~Marblehead~~.
 Chas. Arey, D. D., Rector, St. Peter's, Salem.
 Chas. H. Babcock, Rector, St. Mark's,* Boston.
 O. F. Starkey, Rector, Trinity, Wrentham.
 D. G. Anderson, Rector, St. James's, Great Barrington.
 L. De Cornils, Rector, St. Stephen's, Lynn.
 W. H. Gardner, Assistant, Advent, Boston.
 H. Mackay, Rector, St. Mary's, Newton.
 G. S. Bennett (Deacon), officiating, All Saints', Dorchester.
 Wm. C. Langdon, D. D., Rector, Christ, Cambridge.
 Thos. Cole, Rector, St. Margaret's, Brighton.
 A. Gray, Missionary, City Mission, Boston.
 L. K. Storrs, Rector, St. Paul's, Brookline.
 Thos. Burgess (Deacon), officiating, St. John's, North Adams.
 E. L. Drown, Rector, St. Paul's, Newburyport.
 H. F. Cooley, Rector, St. Anne's, Chelmsford.

III. CHURCHES.

1. CORNER-STONES LAID.

1875.

July 21. All Saints', Worcester, by the Bishop of Central New York.

2. CONSECRATED.

June 21. Christ, Quincy, by the Bishop.
 July 4. St. Thomas', Somerville, by the Bishop.
 Oct. 21. St. John the Evangelist's, Haverhill, by the Bishop.
 Nov. 11. St. John's, Lawrence, by the Bishop.

3. IN BUILDING OR COMPLETED.

Trinity, Boston.
 " Chapel, Boston, completed.
 Christ, Springfield.
 All Saints', Worcester.
 " Chapel, Worcester.
 St. Paul's Chapel, Dedham, completed.
 St. John the Evangelist's, Haverhill, completed.
 Ascension, Fall River, "
 St. Paul's, Natick, "
 Mission Chapel, Peabody, "
 St. James' Mission Chapel, Cambridge.
 Emmanuel " Boston.
 Mission Chapel, Oakdale, Dedham.

* Recently reorganized; not yet known to Convention.

APPENDIX II.

CANONICAL RECORD OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

1875.

- April 29. Day and evening, St. Paul's, Boston; second day of Eighty-fifth Annual Convention.
- " 30. Second examination of five candidates.
- May 2. Fifth Sunday after Easter, Christ Church, Norwich, Conn., celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 6. Ascension, forenoon, Trinity Church, Norwich, celebrated the Holy Communion; evening, assisted at Christ Church.
- " 9. Sunday after Ascension, forenoon, Grace, Newton, addressed the Sunday School; preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them; afternoon, St. Paul's, Boston, preached, confirmed 32, and addressed them.
- " 10. St. Peter's, Cambridge, part of the service, and made an address at the funeral of the Rev. E. B. Chase.
- " 11. Evening, Grace, New Bedford, address at the Southern Convocation.
- " 13. Forenoon, Christ, Fitchburg, instituted the Rev. T. Logan Murphy and preached.
- " 16. Whitsunday, forenoon, Grace, Medford, preached, confirmed 3, and celebrated the Holy Communion; afternoon, addressed the Sunday School; evening, St. Peter's, Cambridge, preached the Anniversary Sermon before the Women's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.
- " 17. Worcester, Commission on Diocesan School, visited sites and held a meeting.
- " 18. Boston, Committee on City Missions.
- " 19. Church Home, Boston, service and address.
- " " Commission on Diocesan School.
- " 20. Emmanuel, Boston, baptized a child.
- " " Chapel, Boston, presided at and addressed a meeting in behalf of the Women's Auxiliary to the Board of Foreign Missions.
- " 21. Committee on City Missions; evening, Good Shepherd, Boston, preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 22. Committee on City Missions.
- " 23. Trinity Sunday, forenoon, Trinity, Bridgewater, preached, confirmed 5, addressed them, and celebrated the Holy Communion; afternoon, addressed the Sunday School: later, preached in East Bridgewater; evening, in Brockton, preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 24. Afternoon, St. Andrew's, Hanover, preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 25. Afternoon, Boston, Diocesan Board of Missions; evening, second examination of a candidate.
- " 26. Meeting of the Corporation of the Church Home.
- " 27. Committee of the Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 27. Solemnized a marriage.
- " 28. Committee from the Trustees of St. Mary's, for sailors, Boston.
- " 30. First Sunday after Trinity; forenoon, Atonement, Westfield, preached, confirmed 8, addressed them, and celebrated the Holy Communion; afternoon, St. Philip's, Easthampton, preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them; evening, St. John's, Northampton, preached, confirmed 14, and addressed them.

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- Nov. 22. Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission.
- " 24. Evening, St. James', Cambridge, preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 25. Thanksgiving Day, forenoon, Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Boston, preached.
- " 28. First Sunday in Advent, forenoon, St. John's, East Boston, preached, confirmed 21, and addressed them; evening, St. James', Boston Highlands, at a meeting in behalf of Diocesan Missions, made an address; the Rector and the Hon. E. R. Mudge made effective addresses.
- " 29. Church Home, South Boston, presided at and addressed annual meeting of the corporation; the children, about one hundred, were catechised by the chaplain, the Rev. J. Wright, and addressed by the Rev. F. L. Norton.
- " 30. St. Andrew's, Day of Intercession for Missions; forenoon, assisted at Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Boston.
- Dec. 1. Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission.
- " 5. Second Sunday in Advent, forenoon, St. Luke's, Chelsea, preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them; evening, Good Shepherd, Boston, preached.
- " 7. St. Matthew's, Mission Room, South Boston, lectured in behalf of the Mission.
- " 8. Christ, Hyde Park, Southern Convocation; presided at business meeting, celebrated the Holy Communion, presided at two meetings for discussion, and made an address at the missionary meeting in the evening.
- " 9. Evening, Christ, Fitchburg, preached, confirmed 19, and addressed them.
- " 12. Third Sunday in Advent, Grace, New Bedford, forenoon, preached; afternoon, catechised the Sabbath School; evening, preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 15. Ember Day, St. John's, Cohoes, N. Y., was one of the Presenters, and took part in the services and the consecration of the Rev. J. H. H. Brown, s. t. d., Bishop elect of Fond-du-Lac.
- " 17. Ember Day, Trinity Chapel, Boston, presided at and addressed the Woman's Committee on Foreign Missions.
- " 19. Fourth Sunday in Advent, forenoon, St. Mary's, for sailors, Boston, preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them; evening, Advent, Boston, preached, confirmed 31, and addressed them.
- " 20. Gray's Hall, Harvard College, Cambridge, held service, and preached for the St. Paul's Society.
- " 21. St. Thomas', Meeting of the Diocesan Board of Missions; also Commission on Church School for Girls.
- " 22. Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Semi-annual Examination.
- " 25. Christmas Day, St. John's, Boston Highlands, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 26. St. Stephen's and first Sunday after Christmas, forenoon, St. John's Memorial, Cambridge, preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 28. Innocents, Church Home, South Boston, visitation, with services and address; the chaplain catechised the children.
- " 31. Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission.

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- Jan. 2. Second Sunday after Christmas, forenoon, Mission, Arlington, preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 6. Epiphany, afternoon, Good Shepherd, Boston, solemnized a marriage; evening, St. John's, Boston Highlands, took part in the service, Bishop Neely preaching.
- " 9. First Sunday after Epiphany, forenoon, St. Mary's, Dorchester, preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them; evening, the Saviour, Longwood, preached, confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 14. Investigation, with assessors, of a matter of discipline.

E. H. True, Rector, St. John's, Taunton.
 W. McGlathery, Rector, St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.
 Geo. Walker, Missionary, Peabody and Wakefield.
 Thos. G. Carver, D. D., Missionary, Brockton.
 Joseph Jenks, Rector, Bridgewater; Missionary, East Bridgewater.
 F. L. Bush, officiating, St. Paul's, Hopkinton; Missionary, Marlboro'.
 Chas. Arey, D. D., Rector, St. Peter's, Salem.
 Chas. H. Babcock, Rector, St. Mark's,* Boston.
 O. F. Starkey, Rector, Trinity, Wrentham.
 D. G. Anderson, Rector, St. James's, Great Barrington.
 L. De Cormis, Rector, St. Stephen's, Lynn.
 W. H. Gardner, Assistant, Advent, Boston.
 H. Mackay, Rector, St. Mary's, Newton.
 G. S. Bennett (Deacon), officiating, All Saints', Dorchester.
 Wm. C. Langdon, D. D., Rector, Christ, Cambridge.
 Thos. Cole, Rector, St. Margaret's, Brighton.
 A. Gray, Missionary, City Mission, Boston.
 L. K. Storrs, Rector, St. Paul's, Brookline.
 Thos. Burgess (Deacon), officiating, St. John's, North Adams.
 E. L. Drown, Rector, St. Paul's, Newburyport.
 B. F. Cooley, Rector, St. Anne's, Chelmsford.

III. CHURCHES.

1. CORNER-STONES LAID.

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July 21. All Saints', Worcester, by the Bishop of Central New York.

2. CONSECRATED.

June 21. Christ, Quincy, by the Bishop.

July 6. St. Thomas', Somerville, by the Bishop.

Oct. 21. St. John the Evangelist's, Haverhill, by the Bishop.

Nov. 11. St. John's, Lawrence, by the Bishop.

3. IN BUILDING OR COMPLETED.

Trinity, Boston.

" Chapel, Boston, completed.

Christ, Springfield.

All Saints', Worcester.

" Chapel, Worcester.

St. Paul's Chapel, Dedham, completed.

St. John the Evangelist's, Haverhill, completed.

Ascension, Fall River,

St. Paul's, Natick,

Mission Chapel, Peabody,

St. James' Mission Chapel, Cambridge.

Emmanuel " " Boston.

Mission Chapel, Oakdale, Dedham.

* Recently reorganized; not yet known to Convention.

APPENDIX II.

CANONICAL RECORD OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

1875.
 April 29. Day and evening, St. Paul's, Boston; second day of Eighty-fifth Annual Convention.
 " 30. Second examination of five candidates.
 May 2. Fifth Sunday after Easter, Christ Church, Norwich, Conn., celebrated the Holy Communion.
 " 6. Ascension, forenoon, Trinity Church, Norwich, celebrated the Holy Communion; evening, assisted at Christ Church.
 " 9. Sunday after Ascension, forenoon, Grace, Newton, addressed the Sunday School; preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them; afternoon, St. Paul's, Boston, preached, confirmed 32, and addressed them.
 " 10. St. Peter's, Cambridge, part of the service, and made an address at the funeral of the Rev. E. B. Chase.
 " 11. Evening, Grace, New Bedford, address at the Southern Convocation.
 " 13. Forenoon, Christ, Fitchburg, instituted the Rev. T. Logan Murphy and preached.
 " 16. Whit Sunday, forenoon, Grace, Medford, preached, confirmed 3, and celebrated the Holy Communion; afternoon, addressed the Sunday School; evening, St. Peter's, Cambridge, preached the Anniversary Sermon before the Women's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.
 " 17. Worcester, Commission on Diocesan School, visited sites and held a meeting.
 " 18. Boston, Committee on City Missions.
 " 19. Church Home, Boston, service and address.
 " " Commission on Diocesan School.
 " 20. Emmanuel, Boston, baptized a child.
 " " Chapel, Boston, presided at and addressed a meeting in behalf of the Women's Auxiliary to the Board of Foreign Missions.
 " 21. Committee on City Missions; evening, Good Shepherd, Boston, preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them.
 " 22. Committee on City Missions.
 " 23. Trinity Sunday, forenoon, Trinity, Bridgewater, preached, confirmed 5, addressed them, and celebrated the Holy Communion; afternoon, addressed the Sunday School: later, preached in East Bridgewater; evening, in Brockton, preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
 " 24. Afternoon, St. Andrew's, Hanover, preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
 " 25. Afternoon, Boston, Diocesan Board of Missions; evening, second examination of a candidate.
 " 26. Meeting of the Corporation of the Church Home.
 " 27. Committee of the Diocesan Board of Missions.
 " 27. Solemnized a marriage.
 " 28. Committee from the Trustees of St. Mary's, for sailors, Boston.
 " 30. First Sunday after Trinity; forenoon, Atonement, Westfield, preached, confirmed 8, addressed them, and celebrated the Holy Communion; afternoon, St. Philip's, Easthampton, preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them; evening, St. John's, Northampton, preached, confirmed 14, and addressed them.

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- June 1. Evening, St. John's, Ashfield, preached.
 " 2. Same parish, assisted at a marriage.
 " 2. Evening, St. Paul's, Holyoke, preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them.
 " 3. Evening, Grace, Amherst, preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
 " 4. Evening, Trinity, Ware, preached.
 " 6. Second Sunday after Trinity, forenoon, Christ, Springfield, ordained the Rev. J. L. Egbert and S. U. Shearman to the Priesthood, the Rev. Pres. Pynchon preaching the sermon; afternoon, Chapel of the Good Shepherd, West Springfield, preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them; evening, Christ, Springfield, preached, confirmed 32, and addressed them.
 " 8. Episcopal City Mission Society.
 " 9 and 10. Theological School, Cambridge, annual examination.
 " 10. Episcopal City Mission Society.
 " 13. Third Sunday after Trinity, forenoon, St. John's, Lawrence, preached, confirmed 70, and addressed them; evening, Grace, Lawrence, preached, confirmed 29, and addressed them.
 " 14. Canonical examination of a candidate.
 " 15. St. John's, Boston Highlands, ordination of Thos. J. Mackay to the Diaconate; sermon preached by the Rev. T. F. Fales.
 " 16. St. John's Memorial, Cambridge, Commencement of the Episcopal Theological School; conferred the degrees on three graduates and addressed them.
 " 16. Annual meeting of Visitors of the School.
 " 18. St. Luke's (Summer) Home for Convalescents, Quisset, meeting of the Trustees; afternoon, prayers with the inmates, and address.
 " 18. Messiah, Wood's Hole, assisted at a marriage service, also preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
 " 20. Fourth Sunday after Trinity, St. John's Memorial, Cambridge, ordination of Messrs. Hooper, Lawrence, and Nicholson to the Diaconate; the Rev. E. L. Drown preached; evening, St. Paul's, Malden, preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
 " 21. Christ, Quincy, consecrated the church, and celebrated the Holy Communion; the presiding Bishop took part in the services, and the venerable S. H. Tyng, D. D., of St. George's, New York, once Rector at Quincy, preached.
 " 24. Gen. Theological Seminary, New York; annual meeting of the Trustees, two sessions; also Special Committee of the Board.
 " 27. At Pequot Chapel, New London, Conn., officiated both parts of the day, and preached at the morning service.
 " 30. Trinity College, Hartford, annual meeting of the Board of Trustees, two sessions.
- July 1. Trinity College Chapel, took part in morning prayer; afterwards as one of the Visitors, present at the Commencement exercises, and at the "breaking ground" on the new site.
 " 3. Boston, Committee of a Vestry.
 " 4. St. Anne's, Lincoln, catechized and addressed the Sunday School; preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them, also baptized a child; evening, in Boston, solemnized a marriage.
 " 7. Grace, North Attleboro', evening, preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them.
 " 9. St. Thomas', Somerville, consecrated the church, confirmed 5, and celebrated the Holy Communion; Dr. Burgess preached.
 " 10. Committee of Episcopal City Mission.
 " 11. Seventh Sunday after Trinity, forenoon, Trinity, Weymouth, preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them; afternoon, Christ, Quincy, preached, confirmed 12, and addressed them.
 " 12. Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission.
 " 18. Eighth Sunday after Trinity, St. Paul's, Boston, assisted at the services.
 " 19. Widows' and Orphans' Society.
 " 25. St. James's, and ninth Sunday after Trinity, forenoon, assisted at St. Matthew's, Boston, and afternoon at the Good Shepherd, and made an address.

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- Aug. 1. Forenoon, in Emmanuel, Boston, assisted in the service held by Trinity Parish.
- " 8. Eleventh Sunday after Trinity, at Centre Bartlett, N. H., officiated in a private house.
- " 15, 22, 29, and Sept. 5, services as above.
- Sept. 12. Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, forenoon, Mission East Cambridge, preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them, also catechized and addressed the Sunday School; evening, assisted at St. Mark's, Boston.
- " 14. Afternoon, Grace, Newton, Eastern Convocation; took part in service and presided at the meeting; evening, another session of Convocation.
- " 15. Ember Day, St. Mark's School, Southboro', informal meeting of the Trustees.
- " 16. Boston, Executive Committee Episcopal City Mission.
- " 18. Ember Day, evening, Calvary, Danvers; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 19. Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, forenoon, St. Peter's, Beverly,* preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them; afternoon, St. Michael's, Marblehead, addressed the children at their service; evening, preached.
- " 20. Afternoon, St. John's, Gloucester, preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 22. Evening, Grace Chapel, Washington Village, Boston, made an address at the opening of the new Hall Chapel; some of the clergy and laity also rendered like service.
- " 30. Forenoon, St. John's, Jamaica Plain, Southern Convocation; celebrated the Holy Communion; presided and took part at two subsequent meetings.
- Oct. 2. Evening, St. John's, North Adams, preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them; Conference with the vestry.
- " 3. Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, forenoon, St. Mark's, South Adams, preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them; afternoon, second Conference with North Adams Vestry; evening, Mission, Williamstown, preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 4. Afternoon, St. Luke's, Lanesboro', preached and confirmed 1; evening, St. Stephen's, Pittsfield, preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 5. Afternoon, Christ, Sheffield, preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them; evening, Trinity, Van Deusenville, preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 6. Afternoon, St. James's, Great Barrington, met the Vestry in conference; evening, preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 7. Evening, St. Paul's, Stockbridge, preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 8. Afternoon, St. Paul's, Otis, preached and addressed the congregation in congratulation of the restoration of their church after its long decay, and of their renewal of regular occasional services under the Rev. Mr. Harris, of Lee.
- " 9. Evening, Mission, South Lee, preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them. This noble work, with its resident clergyman, is chiefly due to the efforts of the Rector of St. Paul's, Stockbridge.
- " 10. Twentieth Sunday after Trinity; forenoon, St. George's, Lee, took part in early morning prayer; later, preached, celebrated the Holy Communion, confirmed 1, afterwards addressed the Sunday School; afternoon, Trinity, Lenox, preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 11. Evening, Mission, Clinton, preached, confirmed 12 (1 in private), and addressed them.
- " 16. Evening, Mission, Cherry Valley, preached.
- " 17. Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity, forenoon, Christ, Rochdale, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion; afternoon, Grace, Oxford, preached; evening, Reconciliation, Webster, preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them.

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- Oct. 18. Evening, Grace, Fiskdale, preached.
- " 19. Evening, St. John's, Wilkinsonville, preached and confirmed 1.
- " 21. Forenoon, St. John the Evangelist's, Haverhill; consecrated the church, the gift to the Lord of its godly Rector, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 22. Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Boston, took part in the burial of Theodore F. Stimpson, a noble young scholar seeking Christ's ministry.
- " 24. Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity, forenoon, St. Peter's, Brooklyn, N. Y., preached; afternoon, Grace, Brooklyn Heights, presided at the annual meeting of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry; evening, Calvary, New York, opening of the Board of Missions.
- " 25. Day and evening, St. Ann's, New York, sessions of the Board, also meeting of a special committee.
- " 26. Sessions continued, day and evening; also meeting of Board of Directors of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry, and meeting of the Society.
- " 27. Day and evening, Board of Missions continued.
- " 28. St. Simon and St. Jude; forenoon, Grace, New York, opening service of the House of Bishops; two sessions held.
- " 29. Trinity Chapel School-room, House of Bishops held two sessions.
- " 31. Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity, forenoon, St. Mark's Chapel, Boston, preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- Nov. 1. All Saints; evening, St. Paul's, Boston, Bishop Whipple and I made addresses in behalf of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.
- " 2. Evening, St. Paul's, Boston, presided at the Anniversary of the Dakotah League; Bishops Whipple, Clarkson, Hare, and Huntington were present, and all save the last named addressed the meeting.
- " 3. Christ, Waltham, Eastern Convocation, took part in morning prayer; presided at a business meeting; ordained the Rev. W. R. Hooper, Jr., to the Priesthood, the Rev. C. H. Learoyd preaching the sermon; afternoon, presided at a meeting for discussion; evening, made an address at the missionary meeting; Bishop Clarkson kindly aided us by an address.
- " 4. Afternoon, St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls, preached, confirmed 14, and addressed them. This was one of the last services of the faithful Rector, who to my regret has resigned the care of the Parish.
- " 5. Boston, Meeting of the Corporation of St. Luke's Home.
- " 7. Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity, forenoon, Mission, Peabody; preached, confirmed 5, addressed them, and celebrated the Holy Communion; evening, Mission, Wakefield, preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them. Both missions are greatly revived under the Rev. George Walker, now in full charge.
- " 9. Directors of the Episcopal Church Association; annual meeting of the Corporation of the same.
- " 11. St. John's, Lawrence, consecrated the church, preached the sermon, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 12. Emmanuel, Boston, officiated at a funeral.
- " 14. Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity, forenoon, St. John's, Framingham, preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them. After service in this Church, and in the presence of the Revs. F. Chase and Joseph Kidder, I deposed from the ministry of the Church John Robertson, Presbyter, he having entered the Roman Communion; afternoon, St. Paul's, Natick, preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 15. Meeting of Trustees.
- " 16. Meeting of Trustees of Widows' and Orphans' Society.
- " 17. Meeting of Trustees of Church Home.
- " 19. Afternoon, Christ, Swansea, preached; evening, Ascension, Fall River, preached and confirmed 1, in the beautiful new church.
- " 20. Afternoon, Hopkinton, in the tentative Mission in this decayed Parish, preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 21. Twenty-sixth Sunday after Trinity; forenoon, Trinity, Milford, preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them; afternoon, St. John's, Millville, read service and preached; evening, met the Vestry for conference.

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- Nov. 22. Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission.
 " 24. Evening, St. James', Cambridge, preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
 " 25. Thanksgiving Day, forenoon, Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Boston, preached.
 " 28. First Sunday in Advent, forenoon, St. John's, East Boston, preached, confirmed 21, and addressed them; evening, St. James', Boston Highlands, at a meeting in behalf of Diocesan Missions, made an address; the Rector and the Hon. E. R. Mudge made effective addresses.
 " 29. Church Home, South Boston, presided at and addressed annual meeting of the corporation; the children, about one hundred, were catechised by the chaplain, the Rev. J. Wright, and addressed by the Rev. F. L. Norton.
 " 30. St. Andrew's, Day of Intercession for Missions; forenoon, assisted at Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Boston.
- Dec. 1. Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission.
 " 5. Second Sunday in Advent, forenoon, St. Luke's, Chelsea, preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them; evening, Good Shepherd, Boston, preached.
 " 7. St. Matthew's, Mission Room, South Boston, lectured in behalf of the Mission.
 " 8. Christ, Hyde Park, Southern Convocation; presided at business meeting, celebrated the Holy Communion, presided at two meetings for discussion, and made an address at the missionary meeting in the evening.
 " 9. Evening, Christ, Fitchburg, preached, confirmed 19, and addressed them.
 " 12. Third Sunday in Advent, Grace, New Bedford, forenoon, preached; afternoon, catechised the Sabbath School; evening, preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
 " 15. Ember Day, St. John's, Cohoes, N. Y., was one of the Presenters, and took part in the services and the consecration of the Rev. J. H. H. Brown, s. t. d., Bishop elect of Fond-du-Lac.
 " 17. Ember Day, Trinity Chapel, Boston, presided at and addressed the Woman's Committee on Foreign Missions.
 " 19. Fourth Sunday in Advent, forenoon, St. Mary's, for sailors, Boston, preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them; evening, Advent, Boston, preached, confirmed 31, and addressed them.
 " 20. Gray's Hall, Harvard College, Cambridge, held service, and preached for the St. Paul's Society.
 " 21. St. Thomas', Meeting of the Diocesan Board of Missions; also Commission on Church School for Girls.
 " 22. Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Semi-annual Examination.
 " 25. Christmas Day, St. John's, Boston Highlands, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion.
 " 26. St. Stephen's and first Sunday after Christmas, forenoon, St. John's Memorial, Cambridge, preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
 " 28. Innocents, Church Home, South Boston, visitation, with services and address; the chaplain catechised the children.
 " 31. Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission.

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- Jan. 2. Second Sunday after Christmas, forenoon, Mission, Arlington, preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them.
 " 6. Epiphany, afternoon, Good Shepherd, Boston, solemnized a marriage; evening, St. John's, Boston Highlands, took part in the service, Bishop Neely preaching.
 " 9. First Sunday after Epiphany, forenoon, St. Mary's, Dorchester, preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them; evening, the Saviour, Longwood, preached, confirmed 10, and addressed them.
 " 14. Investigation, with assessors, of a matter of discipline.

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- Jan. 23. Third Sunday after Epiphany, forenoon, All Saints', Dorchester, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion; evening, Christ, Hyde Park, preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them; also made a brief appeal for Diocesan Missions.
- " 24. Newton, Commission on Church School held a meeting and examined sites.
- " 25. Conversion of St. Paul, forenoon, Christ, Cambridge, instituted the Rev. William Chauncey Langdon, D. D., and preached; evening, Good Shepherd, Boston, preached, confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- " 30. Fourth Sunday after Epiphany, forenoon; Episcopal City Mission (Grace), Washington Village, Boston, preached, confirmed 5, and celebrated the Holy Communion; evening, St. Matthew's, South Boston, preached, confirmed 55, and addressed them.
- " 31. Forenoon, Boston, Board of Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School; afternoon, Dorchester, Commission on Church School held a meeting and visited a site.
- Feb. 1. Met a clergyman and vestry on a matter of discipline.
- " 2. The Presentation; Boston, St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, services and address, the Chaplain, Dr. Williams, taking part.
- " 5. Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission.
- " 6. Fifth Sunday after Epiphany, forenoon, All Saints', Worcester, preached in the Hall; later, celebrated the Holy Communion in the Chapel; afternoon, there confirmed 30, and addressed them; evening, St. Matthew's, preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 8. St. Paul's, Malden, Eastern Convocation, took part in evening prayer; later, presided at business meeting; evening, presided at meeting for discussion.
- " 9. Convocation continued; celebrated the Holy Communion; afterwards presided at meeting for discussion.
- " 13. Septuagesima, forenoon, St. John's, Jamaica Plain, preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them; afternoon, Messiah, West Newton, preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 14. Commission on Diocesan Church School.
- " 15. Directors Clerical Fund; also Executive Committee Episcopal City Mission.
- " 16. Evening, St. Michael's, Marblehead, preached, confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- " 20. Sexagesima, forenoon, St. Paul's, Dedham, preached, confirmed 25, and addressed them; afternoon, catechised and addressed the Sunday School; later, Mission, Oakdale, preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 22. St. John's, Boston Highlands, Southern Convocation, presided at meeting for discussion.
- " 27. Quinquagesima, forenoon, St. John's, Lowell, preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them; also, later, catechized and addressed the Sunday School; afternoon, confirmed 1 in private for St. Anne's; evening, in St. Anne's, preached, confirmed 20, and addressed them.
- Mar. 1. Ash Wednesday, evening, St. Matthew's Mission, South Boston, preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 5. First Sunday in Lent, forenoon, Trinity, Melrose, preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them; evening, Trinity, Woburn, preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 8. Ember Day, Christ, Springfield, at Morning Prayers, confirmed 2 and addressed them; ordained the Rev. Thomas Burgess to the priesthood, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 11. Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission.
- " 12. Second Sunday in Lent, forenoon, St. James', Cambridge (second visitation), preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them; visited the Mission Chapel of the Parish now in process of erection; evening, St. Paul's, Boston; addressed a meeting in behalf of the Episcopal City Mission; Dr. Viuton and Mr. Gray, the Missionary of the Board, made addresses.

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- Mar. 15. Afternoon, St. Mark's, Southboro', confirmed 4 (1 being from the Marlboro' Mission), and addressed them.
- " 19. Third Sunday in Lent, forenoon, St. Peter's, Cambridge, preached, confirmed 15, and addressed them; the music, a full chorus choir, has reached a high degree of excellence under the new Rector; afternoon, confirmed 1 in private for Good Shepherd, Boston; evening, Emmanuel Mission, Boston, preached in this interesting and hopeful Mission, the candidates (not a few) to be confirmed at Emmanuel Church.
- " 21. Trustees St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.
- " 24. Evening, St. Thomas', Somerville, preached, confirmed 27 (1 from Christ, Cambridge), and addressed them.
- " 26. Fourth Sunday in Lent, forenoon, preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them; evening, St. John's, Charlestown, preached, confirmed 27, and addressed them.
- " 28. Evening, Mission, Marlborough, preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 30. Trustees of the Clerical Fund.
- " 31. Evening, All Saints', Dorchester, preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- April 2. Fifth Sunday in Lent, forenoon, St. Stephen's, Boston; catechised and addressed the Sunday School, preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them, celebrated the Holy Communion; afternoon, Emmanuel, Boston, preached, confirmed 50, and addressed them; 44 of this number were from the Parish Mission at the West End, and must have filled with gratitude the heart of the indefatigable minister in charge, the Rev. Mr. Killikelly.
- " 4. Trustees of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.
- " 5. Afternoon, St. Thomas', Taunton, preached, confirmed 13, and addressed them; evening, St. John's, Taunton, preached, confirmed 15, and addressed them.
- " 7. Evening, Trinity, Haverhill, preached, confirmed 17, and addressed them.
- " 8. Haverhill, visited the Sisters' House, and had prayers in the Orationary.
- " 9. Sunday before Easter, forenoon, St. James', Amesbury, preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them; evening, St. Paul's, Newburyport, preached, confirmed 20, and addressed them.
- " 11. Tuesday before Easter, evening, St. John's, Boston Highlands, preached, confirmed 17, and addressed them.
- " 12. Wednesday before Easter, evening, Messiah, Boston, preached, confirmed 22, and addressed them.
- " 13. Thursday before Easter, evening, St. Margaret's, Brighton, preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 14. Good Friday, forenoon, St. Paul's, Brookline, preached, confirmed 13, and addressed them; evening, Trinity, Boston (in Emmanuel Church), preached, confirmed 37 (2 being from Emmanuel Mission), and addressed them.
- " 16. Easter Day, forenoon, Christ, Boston, preached, confirmed 15, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion; evening, St. James, Boston Highlands, preached, confirmed 19, and addressed them.
- " 18. Tuesday in Easter week, forenoon, Christ, Norwich, Conn., assisted at morning prayers.
- " 21. Evening, Trinity, Norwich, preached.
- " 23. First Sunday after Easter, forenoon, Christ, Norwich, assisted the Bishop of Connecticut at his visitation of the parish; afternoon, Trinity, Norwich, confirmed 1 in the class confirmed by Bishop Williams, and addressed the candidates; evening, Christ, Norwich, preached.
- " 24. Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School.
- " 25. St. Mark's Day, St. Mark's, Southboro', celebrated the Holy Communion; annual meeting of the Trustees, at St. Mark's School.

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- April 26. Trustees of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents; Grace, Lawrence, Fourth Semi-Annual Diocesan Missionary Meeting; afternoon, Board meeting; evening, missionary meeting, presided and made an address.
- " 27. Forenoon, celebrated the Holy Communion and delivered a *concio ad clerum*; afternoon, took part in the public conference; evening, made an address at the missionary meeting. The series of services were attended by about thirty of the clergy and resulted in much good.
- " 28. Afternoon, Christ, Andover; preached, confirmed 9 (one from Grace, Lawrence), and addressed them.
- " 29. Committee from a Vestry.
- " 29. Evening, Grace, Salem, preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 30. Second Sunday after Easter, forenoon, St. Peter's, Salem, preached, confirmed 13, and addressed them; afternoon, preached; evening, St. Stephen's, Lynn, preached, confirmed 27, and addressed them.
- May 2. Evening, Mission, East Cambridge, preached, confirmed 20, and addressed them; second visitation.
- " 3. Evening, St. Mark's, Boston, preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them; a second visitation.
- " 5. Evening, Ascension, Ipswich, preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 7. Third Sunday after Easter, forenoon, St. John the Evangelist's, Haverhill, preached, confirmed 10 (1 from Trinity, Haverhill, and 1 from Christ, Andover), and addressed them, celebrated the Holy Communion, met the children of the Parish; afternoon, St. James', South Groveland, at the children's service, catechism and address; evening, preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them; also brief address on Diocesan Missions.
- " 10. Evening, Advent, Boston, preached, confirmed 33, and addressed them; second visitation.
- " 12. Conference with a Rector and Vestry Committee.
- " 14. Fourth Sunday after Easter, forenoon, Christ, Waltham, preached, confirmed 13, and addressed them; afternoon, catechised and addressed the Sunday School; evening, Christ, Cambridge, preached, confirmed 20, and addressed them.
- " 16. Meeting of Clerical Fund Society, Meeting of Trustees of the Widows' and Orphans' Society; later, annual meeting of the Society, meeting of the Commission for Diocesan School for Girls; evening, St. Mark's, Boston, Diocesan Missionary Meeting, with large attendance and several effective addresses.
- " 17. St. Paul's, Boston; this morning I have taken part with many of the brethren in the opening services of the Eighty-sixth Annual Convention, celebrated the Holy Communion, and delivered my first Triennial Charge.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROLD, Treasurer of the Convention, presented his Report, which was referred to the following Auditing Committee:—

The Rev. WILLIAM W. SILVESTER, IRA CLEVELAND, HOWARD SNELLING.

The Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLET, Registrar of the Convention, presented and read his Annual Report.



REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR.

The Registrar of the Diocese would respectfully report: That the first additions to this department were a copy of the "Boston Daily Advertiser" for April 29, 1874, and one for the following day, containing a report of the sessions of this Convention during the two preceding days. These articles were characterized by the unrivalled merits of being both full, and also accurate. Should all the Convention Journals of last year be destroyed, a very fair idea of what was done and said on the occasions named could be obtained from the articles spoken of in that newspaper. The Registrar would also state the paper in question merits praise for its reports of meetings in the interest of our Church, especially in this Diocese; and therefore if any Episcopalians in Massachusetts desire information on such subjects they can obtain it through the newspaper named.

There has been sent to this department, during the last twelve months, a bundle of papers of the Standing Committee of this Diocese, from May, 1874, to May, 1875, by the Rev. Henry Burroughs, Secretary.

The Secretary of this Convention has contributed the Journal of the Eighty-fifth Annual Convention of this Diocese.

A manuscript sketch of the history of Trinity Church, Woburn, Mass., by Mr. George Thompson, has been received from the writer thereof.

Journals of the Annual and Special Conventions of the Diocese of Maine for the first twenty-one years, i. e. from A. D. 1820 to A. D. 1840, have been given by the Registrar of the Diocese named.

There have also been received Journals of the Dioceses of Western New York and of Vermont.

The Rev. Samuel P. Parker, D. D., has contributed to this department two MS. volumes containing a copy of the records of the Parish of St. James, Great Harrington, Mass., from A. D. 1770 to A. D. 1793. These volumes give an account of the labors of the Rev. Gideon Bostwick, whose ministrations were throughout the valley of the Housatonic, and were also extended into the State of New York as far nearly as to the present town of Little Falls, in Herkimer County.

The Rev. W. Stevens Perry, D. D., of Geneva, N. Y., has added to our collection a Journal of the General Convention for 1868, and two copies, one bound, for 1874; two copies, one bound, of the Digest of the Canons; a complete set of the issue of the "Historical Club of the American Church," from its beginning to April of the present year; "Reasons against Separation from the Church of England," by John Wesley, A. M.; and some pamphlets and printed papers.

The request made last year, that the Secretary of this Convention should reserve for this department twenty-five copies of the Journal about to be issued, is repeated.

For some years the Registrar believed that while it was desirable to procure for this department copies of every Journal of the *General Convention*, yet the probabilities that the Journals of other Dioceses, save our own, would be needed for consultation here were about equal to the danger that a person would be in of being struck by lightning on his return from morning service on Christmas Day. The Registrars of other Dioceses seem, however, to be of a different opinion, as many of them attempt to collect all the Journals of Conventions in the United States. The Registrar of this Diocese has, therefore, catalogued every publication of the kind which has been sent him, though as no room has

been provided for the proper arrangement of the materials belonging to this department, he has at times been embarrassed as to the disposition of them.

WILLIAM S. BARTLET.

Mr. ARTHUR J. C. SOWDON, from the Committee on Hospitality, presented a Verbal Report.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS, from the Committee on Amendment of Rules of Order and Order of Business, asked further time for making a Report.

On motion of the Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, —

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on the Revision of Constitution and Canons, and the consideration thereof, be made the order of the day for to-morrow at 9.45 o'clock.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, Secretary of the Standing Committee, made the Annual Report of that body.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

The Standing Committee present the following Report : —

The Committee was duly organized on the third day of May, 1875, by the election of the Rev. A. H. Vinton, D. D., as President, and of the Rev. Henry Burroughs as Secretary.

Thirteen meetings have been held during the Conventional year.

The Committee have signed the Canonical Testimonials consenting to the consecration of the Rev. Jacob S. Shipman, Bishop elect of the Diocese of Fond-du-lac, the Rev. James H. Eccleston, D. D., Bishop elect of Iowa, the Rev. William Edward McLaren, D. D., Bishop elect of Illinois, and of the Rev. John Henry Hobart Brown, S. T. D., Bishop elect of Fond-du-lac.

They have signed the Canonical Testimonials, recommending to the Bishop as Candidates for Holy Orders, James Otis Sargent Huntington, Reuben Kidner, Arthur Henry Barrington, Charles James Palmer, Charles Edward Stowe, and George Shuttleworth Atwood.

They have signed the Canonical Testimonials recommending to the Bishop for Deacon's Orders, William R. Hooper, Jr., William Lawrence, Charles McIlvaine Nicholson, Thomas J. Mackay, William H. Groton, John D. McConkey, and William Franklin Cheny. And for Priests' Orders, the Rev. Sumner U. Shearman, the Rev. William R. Hooper, Jr., the Rev. Thomas Burgess, and the Rev. William Lawrence.

They have given their consent, in accordance with the terms of Canon VI, § 3, of Title I of the Digest, to the Ordination to the Diaconate of William Lawrence, Charles McIlvaine Nicholson, Thomas J. Mackay, William F. Cheney, John D. McConkey, and William H. Groton, within the period of three years from their admission as Candidates for Holy Orders.

They have also given their advice and consent to the Ordination of the Rev. William R. Hooper, Jr., and of the Rev. William Lawrence, as Priests, within one year from their reception of Deacon's Orders, in accordance with Canon VIII, §2, of Title I of the Digest.

They have examined and approved copies of the Articles of Association, and of the Constitution and By-Laws of St. Paul's Church, Natick, seeking admission into union with this Convention.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,

HENRY BURROUGHS,

Secretary.

Boston, May 17, 1876.

On motion of Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, —

Resolved, That when this Convention adjourn, it adjourn to meet at 9 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

The Secretary announced that he had appointed the Rev. Wm. HENRY BROOKS, D. D., as Assistant Secretary.

This nomination was, on motion, approved by the Convention.

Mr. ARTHUR J. C. SOWDON, from the Episcopal Church Association, presented the following Annual Report: —

EPISCOPAL CHURCH ASSOCIATION, ANNUAL REPORT.

This Association has completed the sixth year of its existence. It was formed in the spring of 1870, and opened its rooms in the following autumn. Its objects, briefly stated, are as follows: To sustain headquarters for all distinctively church work; to keep open rooms where may be found the principal newspapers and other publications of our Church; to furnish information upon matters of interest to churchmen; and to supply the services of clergy in cases of need.

For the past year this Association has maintained rooms at No. 5 Hamilton Place, Boston. It is gratifying to be able to state that at no previous period of its existence has its usefulness been so apparent and so generally acknowledged. While increasing numbers of the reverend clergy, and of the laity, find their way often to these rooms, it is still a matter of surprise and regret that many of the laity neither come to the rooms nor send offerings for their maintenance.

The officers of the Association for 1876 are as follows: —

Honorary President, — THE RIGHT REV. BISHOP of the Diocese.

President, — ENOCH R. MUDGE, Emmanuel Church.

Vice Presidents, — WM. RAYMOND LEE, St. James' Church; EDWARD S. RAND, Emmanuel Church.

Treasurer, — THOMAS J. LEE, Church of our Saviour, Longwood.

Clerk, — ARTHUR J. C. SOWDON, St. Paul's Church.

Directors, — Alexander H. Rice, Emmanuel Church; John S. Blatchford, St. Paul's Church; Robert Treat Paine, Jr., Trinity Church; Charles H. Joy, Church of the Advent; Wm. C. Lovering, St. Thomas' Church, Taunton; Charles

G. Saunders, Grace Church, Lawrence; George Dexter, Christ Church, Cambridge.

By votes of the last three Diocesan Conventions, the President, Treasurer, and Clerk of this Association have constituted the Committee on Hospitality. They have this year, as usual, attended to the duty assigned them and will gladly continue to do so.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board of Directors,

A. J. C. SOWDON, *Clerk.*

Boston, May 17, 1876.

Mr. JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, from the Committee on a Fund for the Erection of Churches and Chapels, presented the following Report:—

MASSACHUSETTS "CHURCH BUILDING FUND" REPORT.

In February last a legacy of \$500 was placed in the hands of the Bishop to establish in this Diocese a Church Building Fund. This gift was announced by the Bishop in his annual address to the last Convention in the following terms:—

... "I count it an omen of good, as well as a pious act on the part of a dear child of God, that the Diocese has five hundred dollars in my hands for the beginning of a Church Building Fund. The young man who gave it now worships in the temple not made with hands. I ask your counsel as to the best method and agency for so managing the gift that, as its letter of conveyance says, 'it may attract other and larger gifts.'"

A committee was accordingly appointed by the Convention to consider the subject, and made the following report:—

"The committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to donations for a Fund for the erection of Churches and Chapels, respectfully report the following resolution, and recommend its adoption:—

"*Resolved*, That this Convention appoint three persons, one clergyman and two laymen, to be known as "The Trustees of a Fund for the Erection of Churches and Chapels."

"And until the duties of said Trustees be determined more definitely by canon, they be directed to enlist the interests of Churchmen in the creation of a Fund for aiding Weak Parishes and Missionary Stations in Erecting Churches and Chapels."

In accordance with this resolution three trustees were appointed—Rev. Henry Burroughs, G. C. Shattuck, M. D., and J. S. Blatchford—to bring to the knowledge of all Churchmen in the Diocese the establishment of such a Fund and the creation of a Board of Trustees to hold and manage it. Its importance as a means of promoting the building up and strengthening of the Church in the Diocese is so apparent that it is confidently hoped that this beginning of such a Fund will speedily realize the hope expressed in the bequest which created it,—viz. "that it may attract other and larger gifts."

The Trustees, acting in accordance with the instructions of the resolution, issued a circular, dated Feb. 10, 1876, announcing the establishment of the Fund and the creation of a Board of Trustees to hold and manage it. A copy of this circular was sent to the Rector of each Parish in the Diocese, accompanied by a

circular note suggesting that it be read in each parish at some service and at such time as might be deemed expedient. It was also suggested that opportunities might occur within the experience of each clergyman to commend the subject to the personal attention and consideration of some who might be contemplating some scheme of benefactions to the Church in their final disposition of estates.

Since the creation of the Trust the Fund has been increased by further gifts of \$317 55, making the principal amount at the present time \$1,017.55.

The Trustees beg very earnestly to call the attention of both the clergy and laity to the desirableness of so increasing this Fund that it may become the important and efficient agency it is designed to be for the building up and strengthening of the Church in this Diocese.

Any desired information concerning the Fund may be obtained by communicating with the treasurer, J. S. Blatchford, 13 Exchange Street, Boston, to whom also remittances for its increase may be sent.

HENRY BURROUGHS,	} Trustees.
G. C. SHATTUCK,	
J. S. BLATCHFORD,	

Boston, May 16, 1876.

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, from the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, reported that, —

They recommend that the Parish of St. Paul's, Natick, be admitted into union with the Convention.

This report was accepted by the Convention, and St. Paul's Church, Natick, was admitted into union with the Convention.

The SECRETARY then called the names of the delegates from the above Parish as follows: —

Timothy W. Willard, Hiram T. Hildreth, Frank E. Cummings,
who appeared and took their seats.

The Rev. WILLIAM W. SILVESTER, from the Committee for Auditing the Treasurer's Account, presented the following report: —

The Committee on Finance report that after examination of the accounts of the Rev. C. H. Learoyd, Treasurer of the Convention, they find the same to be correct.

W. W. SILVESTER.
IRA CLEVELAND.
HOWARD SNELLING.

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, from the Special Commission on a Church School for Girls, presented the following report: —

REPORT

OF THE COMMISSION ON THE CHURCH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

The Commission on the Church School for Girls regret to have to report that they have made no progress in the work assigned them. They have held several meetings, and have personally inspected, as they did last year, sites that have been suggested to them as eligible; but the proposed school has not awakened the interest in the Diocese that the Commission hoped for, owing, doubtless, to some extent, to the present financial embarrassment. While the times continue as they are, there is but little probability that an undertaking calling for so large an outlay will enlist the sympathy and the liberal support of the members of our Communion.

At the same time the Commission believe that here, as everywhere, the law of demand and supply is operative, — that if in the Diocese there were a general recognition of the need of a Church School, means would be forthcoming for its establishment, notwithstanding the stringency of the times. When churchmen shall have become convinced that in the training of their children the Bible and the Prayer Book must take their place side by side with history and geography, and classics and mathematics; that the daily worship of the church and the daily influence of a reverent Christian teacher, and of a well-ordered, churchly home, are not only an inestimable blessing, but absolutely essential to their children's welfare; and that no girl, whatever her attainments, is really *educated* unless her spiritual being is instructed and trained, as well as her mind, — then there will be an imperative demand for a Church School for Girls, and perhaps for more than one. But so long as, with here and there an exception, the rich churchmen and those of moderate means are alike indifferent as to the influences to which they subject their children at the most important period of life, it were idle to look for that support and encouragement which should be given to such a work as has been intrusted to this Commission.

The Commission very respectfully ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

For the Commission,

GEORGE S. CONVERSE, *Secretary*.

Boston, May 16, 1876.

On motion of the Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, —

Resolved, That the Report be accepted, and that the Committee be discharged.

Resolved, That the Delegates from St. John's, Boston Highlands, be admitted to seats in the Convention.

The Rev. FRANK L. NORTON, from the Executive Committee, presented the following report: —

The Executive Committee recommend that the next Annual Convention be held at Christ Church, Springfield, on the fifth Wednesday after Easter, 1877. And that the Rev. C. L. Hutchins, of Grace Church, Medford, be the preacher of Convention Sermon, and the Rev. H. F. Allen, Rector of Grace Church, Amherst, be the substitute.

FRANK L. NORTON.
EDWARD H. TRUE.
WILLIAM G. BROOKS.

Dr. SHATTUCK moved that the foregoing report be accepted, and the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

An amendment to the above was moved by Mr. WALTER CUTTING, that the name of St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield, be substituted for that of Christ Church, Springfield.

Before the question was taken, on motion of the Rev. Dr. BURGESS, —

Resolved, That this Convention now adjourn.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer through the Psalter was read by the Rev. Dr. HOWARD, the Absolution being pronounced by the BISHOP. The Lessons and the Te Deum were read by the Rev. ANDREW GRAY, and the remainder of the Morning Prayer by the Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D. D. The 281st Hymn was then sung, and the concluding Collects and Benediction were pronounced by the BISHOP.

The BISHOP then called the Convention to order.

The Minutes of yesterday's Session were read and approved.

The Rev. NATHAN CHAMBERLAIN moved, —

That the Record be amended in the case of St. Thomas' Church, Somerville, so as to read *St. Thomas' Church, East Somerville*.

Resolved, That this matter be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Roll of the Clergy was then called by the Secretary, and some clergymen not present yesterday answered to their names.

Resolved, That in calling the Roll of the Lay Delegates the names of those only be called who did not answer yesterday.

The SECRETARY called the Roll of Lay Delegates according to the resolution, and several new names were added to the list of those in attendance.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D., presented the following report: —

The Committee on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, recognizing the confidence and honor expressed by continuing them in office during the recess, respectfully report, —

That they have no further suggestion to make respecting amendments in either Constitution or Canons, and leave the adoption of such changes and additions as were presented in their report to the last Annual Convention to the wisdom of the Convention.

For the Committee,

ALEXANDER H. VINTON.

ALEXANDER BURGESS.

CAUSTEN BROWNE presented an amendment to Article II of the Constitution (see Appendix A, of the Journal of 1875).

PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE II. — THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. There shall be a Convention of this Church, consisting of the Bishop, the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, and Clergymen and Laymen, as follows:—

SECT. 2. The Bishop and the Assistant Bishop each shall have a seat and a vote in the Convention. Every Clergyman canonically and actually resident in the Diocese shall have a seat and a vote in the Convention who, for at least three months next preceding the session of the Convention, has been regularly engaged in discharging the duties of his office, either by settlement in a Parish in union with the Convention, or by regular and canonical appointment as Minister, Assistant Minister, or Missionary, in some chapel or mission within this Diocese; or who has been, for the like term, engaged in duties not inconsistent with his ordination vows, as Head, Chaplain, or Teacher in some incorporated Institution of learning, benevolence, or discipline within this Diocese, and performing clerical functions; or who has been, for the like term, performing duty within this Diocese as Chaplain of the Army or Navy of the United States, or as Secretary or Treasurer of the Convention, or Registrar of the Diocese; or who, while entitled to a seat and vote, upon any of the grounds above stated, was compelled by age or ill-health to resign his charge, and is still prevented by age or ill-health from resuming duty as above described; or who has, during an aggregate of thirty years, performed some one or more of the duties above described: *provided*, that any Clergyman, canonically resident in the Diocese, who is holding some appointment under the institutions of the General Church of the United States which prevents an actual residence in the Diocese, shall also have a seat and vote in the Convention. And all Clergymen other than those above specified, canonically resident in this Diocese, shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership of this Convention, except the right to vote.

SECT. 3. Every Parish in this Diocese, in union with this Convention, shall be entitled to send to the Convention a lay delegate or delegates, not exceeding three, who shall remain in office till the sitting of the next Annual Convention, the Parish or Vestry to have the power of filling any vacancies which may occur, a certificate of whose appointment, signed by the Wardens or Parish Clerk, shall before his or their admission to a seat, be laid before the Convention: *provided*, that no person shall be competent to serve as a lay delegate unless he be a stated worshipper in the Parish which he represents, and a communicant of this Church. The delegation from each Parish shall be entitled, on a division by orders, to but one vote.

SECT. 4. The Convention shall be the final judge of the qualifications of its members; but no Clergyman under canonical sentence of suspension, and no Layman repelled from the Communion, shall be entitled to membership.

During the debate on this subject, the hour for the order of the day (Elections) having arrived,

On motion of the Rev. Dr. VINTON, —

Resolved, That the present subject be suspended and made the order of the day as soon as the business of the elections is concluded.

On motion of Dr. SHATTUCK, —

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund be made the order of the day at 12½ o'clock.

On motion, —

Resolved, That in the election of Registrar, balloting be dispensed with.

On nomination of IRA CLEVELAND, the Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLET was re-elected Registrar.

The CHAIR appointed as tellers of the Clerical Vote, in the election of a Standing Committee, the Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER, the Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, and the Rev. CHARLES S. LESTER; and as tellers of the Lay Vote, ADIN P. UNDERWOOD, WALTER CUTTING, and J. MORTON CLINCH.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HOWARD, —

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the formation of new Parishes be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. WILLIAM McGLATHERY, from the Finance Committee, made a Report: —

The Committee on Finance respectfully report that in order to meet the expenses of Convention for the coming year, it will be necessary to make an assessment upon the Parishes of the Diocese of one and one half per cent upon the amount of salary paid to the rectors thereof, and they recommend that such assessment be made.

W. McGLATHERY.
GEO. B. NEAL.
C. C. CONANT.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, May 18, 1876.

Which Report was accepted and adopted.

On motion of Dr. SHATTUCK, —

Resolved, That the Report of the Executive Committee be now called up.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the above Report be amended by substituting the name of St. Paul's Church, Boston, for that of Christ Church, Springfield.

The Report, as amended, was then adopted.

On motion of Dr. SHATTUCK, —

Resolved, That the order of the day be discharged, and that the Report of the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund be called up.

Dr. SHATTUCK then read the Annual Report of that Committee.

REPORT

OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE INCREASE OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

The Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund regret very much that they cannot report every Parish in the Diocese as contributing towards this fund according to the rates adopted by the Convention and confirmed at several meetings. Several Parishes have given nothing, and only thirty-seven of ninety-three on our list have contributed to the fund in cash or notes. Thirty-nine Parishes are in debt to the fund, and the amount of indebtedness of each Parish is given in a subsequent part of our report. This Convention must do something to impress upon delinquent Parishes their duty and the disastrous consequences ensuing on neglecting that duty. The Convention is distinctly pledged that the Bishop shall receive an adequate support, and that his stipend shall be paid regularly and without delay. The work of this Diocese is such as to task all the powers of body and mind of the Bishop, and if he is submitted to the annoyance and vexation of an inadequate and uncertain income, we shall have an expenditure of time and strength much needed for the discharge of duties pertaining to the souls of men, who will be the sufferers. Your present Committee has served twelve years, and exhausted its powers of exhortation and persuasion. Every delinquent Parish has been reminded of its obligation again and again. The income from invested funds is much less than it was two years ago, and unless our income from Parishes is much increased, the Bishop will no longer receive his stipend regularly and in full; we shall not be able to pay the sums for insurance, taxes, and repairs assumed by the Convention, which will be thus dishonored and disgraced by non-performance of repeated promises. The Committee, to avert this calamity, propose the following resolution:—

Resolved, That no Parish shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the Convention which has not paid or secured during the year the sum assessed upon it for the support of the Episcopate.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK.
CHARLES O. WHITMORE.
THOMAS C. AMORY.
RUSSELL STURGIS, JR.
J. P. ELLICOTT.

*Parishes Delinquent in the Payment of Assessments for the Bishop's
Fund, June 1, 1876.*

PARISHES.	Amount of Assessment, Jan. 1, 1873.	Three Years' Interest on same.	CASH PAID.	
			Principal.	Interest.
Amherst, Grace Church	\$800 00	\$126 00		
Andover, Christ Church	600 00	126 00	\$15 00	\$48 00
Beverly, St. Peter's	400 00	84 00		28 00
Boston, Christ	600 00	126 00		
" (Dorchester), St. Mary's	1,000 00	210 00		147 75
" (Jamaica Plain), St. John's	1,250 00	262 50		175 00
Brookline, St. Paul's	1,850 00	325 50		300 00
Cambridge, St. Peter's	1,200 00	252 00		96 00
Chelsea, St. Luke's	450 00	94 50		84 00
Danvers, Calvary	450 00	94 50		
Fall River, Ascension	625 00	131 25	11 31	25 00
Fitchburg, Christ	1,000 00	210 00		70 00
Great Barrington, St. James	600 00	126 00	15 68	42 00
Greenfield, St. James	750 00	157 50	17 50	20 00
Lawrence, St. John's	600 00	126 00		
Lee, St. George's	300 00	63 00	16 80	
Longwood, Our Saviour	1,000 00	210 00	517 18	
Lynn, St. Stephen's	750 00	157 50		
Marblehead, St. Michael's	600 00	126 00	2 03	67 00
Melrose, Trinity	600 00	105 00		35 00
Milford, Trinity	300 00	63 00		42 00
Millville, St. John's	250 00	52 50		
New Bedford, Grace	1,000 00	210 00		140 00
Newton, St. Mary's	750 00	157 50		105 00
" Mes-siah (?)				
Northampton, St. John's	600 00	126 00	29 60	
Pittsfield, St. Stephen's	750 00	157 50	75 00	52 50
(This parish has since agreed to give its vote.)				
Quincy, Christ	650 00	136 50		
Essex, St. Peter's	1,000 00	210 00		175 00
Somerville, Emmanuel	650 00	136 50		
" St. Thomas	350 00	73 50		21 00
Taunton, St. John's	750 00	157 50		20 00
Weymouth, Trinity	600 00	105 00		11 13
	\$22,375 00	\$4,698 75	\$699 40	\$1,704 38

On motion of Judge PUTNAM, —

Resolved, That the above Report, independent of the resolution, be accepted.

CAUSTEN BROWNE offered the following resolution : —

Resolved, That the resolution in the Report of the Committee be referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to consider and report an amendment providing for the action recommended by the Report, if they deem it expedient.

The Rev. L. C. MANCHESTER, from the tellers to collect the Clerical Vote for a Standing Committee, made the following Report : —

That the Clergy have elected, —

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS.	ENOCH R. MUDGE.
" " THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D. D.	ROBERT M. MASON.
" " ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D.	J. STORY FAY.
" " WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D. D.	

ADIN UNDERWOOD, from the tellers to collect the Lay Vote for a Standing Committee, reported that the Laity have elected, —

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS,	ENOCH R. MUDGE.
" " THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D. D.	ROBERT M. MASON.
" " WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D. D.	JOSEPH STORY FAY.
" " ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D.	CAUSTEN BROWNE.

The following are therefore elected in concurrence : —

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS.	ENOCH R. MUDGE.
" " THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D. D.	ROBERT M. MASON.
" " WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D. D.	JOSEPH STORY FAY.
" " ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D.	

And there is one vacancy of a lay member.

On motion of the Rev. C. L. HUTCHINS, —

Resolved, That balloting for the other member of the Standing Committee be dispensed with.

On nomination of the same, CAUSTEN BROWNE, having the highest number of votes on both tickets, was declared elected.

Resolved, That when this House adjourn, it adjourn to 3 o'clock this P. M.

On motion of the Rev. E. H. TRUE, —

Resolved, That the Report of the Trustees of Donations be now received.

Dr. SHATTUCK then read the report of that body.

REPORT

OF THE TRUSTEES OF DONATIONS TO THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH TO THE

EIGHTY-SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH FOR THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS, HELD AT BOSTON, MAY 17, 1876.

The amount of the Bishop's Fund, according to the last

Annual Report, was	\$84,001 88
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Since that date the following amounts have been added to the fund, viz. —

In Parish Notes	\$915 28	
In Cash	255 85	1,171 13

Making total of fund, May 17, 1876	<u>\$85,173 01</u>
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The Bishop's salary has been paid in full, according to the vote of the last Convention.

Most respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM P. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*

Boston, May 17, 1876.

Judge PUTNAM offered the following as a substitute to the resolution offered by CAUSTEN BROWNE (page 47): —

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund presents a condition of things which calls for the urgent action of this Convention; and that this Convention desires to impress upon the delinquent Parishes the great importance of paying their appropriation at once. And that if this is not speedily done, this Convention may feel itself called upon to take some action towards severing its connection with the delinquent Parishes.

Mr. BROWNE withdrew his resolution.

On motion of CAUSTEN BROWNE, —

Resolved, That the resolution of Judge Putnam be divided, and that the question be taken on the first part.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the first part, ending with the words "at once," be adopted.

The motion to adopt the concluding portion of the resolution was lost.

On motion of CAUSTEN BROWNE, —

Resolved, That balloting be dispensed with in the election of persons to fill vacancies in the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, and that a Committee of Nomination be appointed.

The CHAIR appointed as such Committee, —

The Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE, CAUSTEN BROWNE.

Resolved, That balloting be dispensed with in the election of the Committee on the Increase of The Episcopal Fund.

Dr. SHATTUCK asked for the discharge of the Committee.

But on motion, —

The former Committee was re-elected.

On motion of General UNDERWOOD, —

Resolved, That balloting be dispensed with in the election of the Committee on Hospitality.

On motion of the same, —

The former Committee was re-elected.

On motion of the same,—

Resolved, That this Convention now adjourn.

Adjourned.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE, from the Committee to nominate persons to fill vacancies in the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, reported that they recommend the nomination of the Rev. ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D. D.

Resolved, That the order of the day be suspended to allow of the election of Trustee to the General Theological Seminary.

On nomination,

The Rev. ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D. D., be declared as nominated as a Trustee of the General Theological Seminary.

Dr. SHATTUCK presented the annual report of the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society.

REPORT OF THE MARGARET COFFIN PRAYER BOOK SOCIETY,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 16, 1876.

The Society (since the last Annual Report) has distributed of the Society's stereotyped edition	664
English print	1,920
Mission	415
Total	<u>2,999</u>
The receipts during the year, including a balance of \$55.00 from the last account, have been	\$658 49
The expenditures have been	<u>444 50</u>
Balance to new account	\$213 99
The Permanent Fund, consisting of Madam Coffin's original legacy of \$1,000.00, with accrued interest, now amounts to	\$1,995 64

It is to be regretted that no one has, in the twenty years of the Society's existence, followed her good example.

An edition of the Society's Prayer Book without the Hymns being called for, was ordered in April and is now ready. It is a much handier and stronger book than the former one, and has been published at the low price of twenty-eight cents the copy. The cost of one thousand has exhausted the balance in the treasury, which is now in need of replenishing. The depot is at A. Williams & Co., 131 Washington Street.

Four Prayer Books, in raised type, for the blind (obtained from the Perkins Institution), have been given to the Society for blind persons in the State Asylum



of Nebraska City, who applied to the president through Mr. Potter. They were received with much gratitude.

The Rev. E. M. P. Wells, D. D., the beloved and venerated President of the Society from its foundation to the present time, a period of twenty years, has felt himself constrained by increasing years and infirmities to resign his office. His retirement is much regretted. The Bishop of the Diocese has been elected in his stead, and has accepted the office. The Board now consists of, —

President. — The Right Rev. B. H. PADDOCK, D. D.

Treasurer. — H. M. UPHAM, 283 Washington Street.

Clerk — E. N. PERKINS.

Trustees. — The Rev. E. M. P. Wells, D. D., The Rev. F. L. Norton, Miss Robbins, Peter Wainwright, Esq., E. R. Mudge, Esq., The Rev. F. Wharton, D. D., LL. D., Dr. G. C. Shattuck, Miss E. Tarbell, Samuel Eliot, LL. D., Henry W. Nelson, Esq.

The Annual Service was held Nov. 19, 25th Sunday after Trinity, at the Church of the Advent. The sermon was preached by the Bishop of Albany. The offering amounted to \$106.83. An effort is being made to increase the membership of the Society, and thereby its influence and support. Distributing gratuitously the Prayer Book, not only in this Diocese but throughout the United States, its claim for more liberal gifts and bequests from churchmen is a very strong one, which in the future will, it is hoped, be more fully recognized than heretofore.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD N. PERKINS, *Clerk.*

Boston, May 17, 1876.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS, from the Standing Committee on Constitution and Canons, presented the following report: —

The Standing Committee on Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred the motion, —

“That the minutes of yesterday be so corrected that wherever St. Thomas' Church, in the City of Somerville, is mentioned, it be recorded as St. Thomas' Church, East Somerville, its corporate name,”

Respectfully report that such correction seems to them proper, and that it be directed to be made accordingly.

For the Committee,

ALEX'R BURGESS.

Which, on motion, was adopted.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed by the Chair to nominate persons to fill vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions.

The CHAIR appointed as that Committee, —

The Rev. ROGER S. HOWARD, D. D.

EDMUND S. BENNETT.

“ “ LEWIS GREEN.

JOHN P. TARBELL.

“ “ GEORGE W. SHINN.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS, from the Committee appointed to report to this meeting of the Convention such amendment of Rules of

Order and Order of Business as they may deem expedient, made the following Report :—

The Committee appointed to report to this meeting of the Convention such amendment of Rules of Order and Order of Business as they may deem expedient, respectfully report :—

It appears to them, after deliberation, that few changes are at present expedient, but that more may be required after the Convention shall have determined the exact language of the Constitution and Canons. They therefore ask that they be continued in office with instructions to report next year, or that they be discharged and a new Committee be intrusted with the duties devolved on them.

ALEX'R BURGESS.
CAUSTEN BROWNE.

On motion, the Report was accepted, and the Committee was continued to report to the next meeting of the Convention.

The Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, made the following Report :—

THE COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Respectfully report that the unfinished business, as appears from the Journal of 1875, is as follows :—

The consideration of Article XIII. ECCLESIASTICAL COURT (Appendix A, pp. 87, 88) and the Canons connected therewith. Title III, Canons 1, 2, 3 (Appendix A, pp. 89-95).

Article XV. ALTERATIONS OF THIS CONSTITUTION. (Appendix A, p. 88.)

Article XVI. REPEAL. (Appendix A, p. 88.)

Article II. THE CONVENTION. (Appendix A, p. 87.)

Title IV, Canon VII. CANONS TO TAKE EFFECT. (Appendix A, p. 95.)

Report of Committee on Amendment of Rules of Order and Order of Business. (Page 79.)

L. C. MANCHESTER.
WILLIAM L. WILLIAMS.
BENJAMIN WOODWARD.

The order of the day was then called up, and the Convention proceeded to discuss the amendment to Article II of the Constitution, proposed this morning by CAUSTEN BROWNE (page 44).

Resolved, That Sections 1 and 2 of the proposed amendment to Article II be now considered as before the House.

The Rev. Dr. VINTON moved that Section 2 be divided, and that it be amended by inserting the words "who shall have been," between the words "clergymen" and "canonically" in line four ;



and inserting the words "for the space of six months" between the words "Diocese" and "shall" in the same line; and striking out all the remaining portion of the Article.

Resolved, That the debate on this subject be closed at 6½ o'clock.

Resolved, That five minutes be added to give RICHARD H. DANA an opportunity to speak, and five minutes to the Rev. Dr. VINTON.

The vote being required to be by orders, the Secretary called the Roll of the Clergy, with the following result: —

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The Rev. Charles H. Babcock, Ithamar W. Beard, John W. Birchmore, William Henry Brooks, D. D., Alexander Burgess, D. D., John T. Burrill, Nathan H. Chamberlain, Francis Chase, George S. Converse, Arthur C. A. Hall, Samuel Hollingsworth, D. D., Reginald H. Howe, Bryan B. Killikelly, Thomas R. Lambert, D. D., J. Sturgis Pearce, George J. Prescott, Charles A. Rand, Edward H. True, Theodosius S. Tyng, Alexander H. Vinton, D. D. 20.

NO.

The Right Rev. B. H. PADDOCK, D. D.

The Rev. Henry F. Allen, Levi Boyer, Henry Burroughs, Franklin L. Bush, Joseph H. Clinch, S. T. D., Malcolm Douglass, D. D., George W. Durell, Thomas F. Fales, Lewis Green, Edward M. Gushee, William R. Hooper, Jr., Roger S. Howard, D. D., George P. Huntington, William R. Huntington, D. D., William C. Langdon, D. D., Charles H. Learoyd, Henry Mackay, Thomas J. Mackay, William McGlathery, Henry A. Metcalf, Nathan W. Munroe, Frank L. Norton, Joshua R. Peirce, Edmund Rowland, George W. Shinn, William W. Silvester, Robert B. Van Kleeck, D. D., George Walker, Julius H. Waterbury, William G. Wells, J. Frank Winkley, John Wright. 33.

So the amendment was lost.

Resolved, That the Convention now take a recess till 8 o'clock.

Adjourned.

8 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS presented the Report of the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen: —

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

This Society, in presenting the following Report, would respectfully refer to the Report of the last year, to be found on the 77th, 78th, and 79th pages of the Journal of the Convention for 1875, as giving a full account of the origin, history, and purposes of the Association. A copy of the Amended By-Laws was sent to

every Clergyman in the Diocese about a year ago. As several Clergymen have come into the Diocese since that time, copies for distribution have been placed upon the table of the Secretary of the Convention. It is the desire of the officers and Trustees that every clergyman should become a member of the Society. It will be seen, upon reference to the Third Chapter of the By-Laws, that the widows and children of deceased Clergymen who have paid a specified sum annually, are entitled to an annuity of five times that amount for twice the number of years during which it has been paid. Clergymen removing from the Diocese do not forfeit their claims upon the Annuity Fund. If they continue their annual payments until their decease, their families are entitled to the same benefits as if they had not removed; and if they discontinue their annual payments after their removal, they or their widows and children will receive the amount of their contributions, with interest at six per cent.

The funds of the Society, amounting to over \$70,000, secure the punctual payment of the annuities, and furnish, besides, a handsome income, from which the sum of \$2,400 is now given annually, as gratuitous relief, to widows and children of deceased Clergymen.

During the past year the claims of all those Clergymen who have removed from the Diocese, and have ceased their contributions, have been ascertained and liquidated by the Treasurer.

Hereafter, payments on the part of contributors will be considered as due and payable on the first day of January annually.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY BURROUGHS, *Secretary.*

The Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, s. t. d., presented the Annual Report of the Episcopal Clerical Fund Association.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE CLERICAL FUND ASSOCIATION.

The Directors of the Episcopal Clerical Fund in making their annual report beg leave to state that the receipts of the Association from all sources during the past year have been \$2,400.35, and that they have expended the sum of \$1,250 in gratuities to six beneficiaries. To some of these they would gladly have appropriated a much more liberal amount than that which appears in the Treasurer's report, had the means to do so been supplied.

The bequest of \$500 from the late Rev. George D. Miles, mentioned in the report of last year, has not yet been paid by his executor, but it is hoped that this claim will soon be adjusted.

This Society is intended to be the Church's almoner to her aged and indigent clergymen, a class who stand in the most urgent need of charity, but who are the least likely to ask for it. Its object is to avert the curse of poverty from those who, by early habit and training, are the worst prepared to struggle with it, and who would rather starve than make their wants known to the world; to smooth a path to the tomb for men who have renounced all expectation of worldly wealth that they might impart spiritual blessings to their brethren and preach to dying men the unsearchable riches of Christ.

Our Parishes at this day do not seem ready to endorse Solomon's definition of



"a crown of glory"; they do not select the "hoary head" to counsel them; they do not appear to believe that "days should speak, and multitude of years should teach wisdom"; they do not prefer that one should be their counsellor and guide who can draw his lessons of wisdom from the treasury of a ripe experience, — but select, rather, younger men to be their "teachers, spiritual pastors, and masters." Hence it is that few clergymen who have passed the age of fifty are able to find professional employment. And if the "hoary head," or if failing health have shut them out from the exercise of their ministry, what remains for the great majority of them in their declining years, if there is no Clerical Fund Association, or only a poorly endowed one, to supply a pittance for which they need not blush to ask?

It is a singular fact that, with a few brilliant exceptions, our clergy, as a body, ignore this Society. Appeals are annually sent out to every settled clergyman in the Diocese, but, strange to say, out of over one hundred Parishes and Missionary Stations in this Diocese, only twenty-three have devoted any portion of their "alms and oblations" to this most worthy object. One Parish in this city, numerically among the strongest, has never given so much as a single dollar to aid our funds. For more than twenty years the very existence of our Society was sustained, in its early history, by literally "two or three" who were determined not to see it perish. The honored names of the late Bishop of Colorado, the late Rector of St. Paul's, Dedham, our worthy Treasurer, and his no less worthy son, cannot be forgotten in this connection.

But however the Clergy may ignore and put away from them the efforts which are made for their future support, the Laity are not thereby exonerated from their duty, and it may be, their privilege, of providing for those who "have spoken unto them the Word of God." To them especially our Association must look, and we trust not in vain, for the establishment of a fund which shall be sufficient for all its wants.

"The Levite that is within thy gates, thou shalt not forsake him, for he has no part nor inheritance with thee. . . . He shall come and eat and be satisfied; that the Lord thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hands which thou doest."

JOSEPH H. CLINCH, *Secretary*.

The Rev. HENRY MACKAY presented the Annual Report of the Central Convocation.

REPORT

OF THE CENTRAL CONVOCATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL, 1876.

Another year has passed away, and with it many unfulfilled expectations. But all its hopes have not been as flowers cast on the stream. The good done will last forever, while the dross will sink.

Three meetings were held as follows: One at All Saints, Worcester; one at Wilkinsonville; and the third in the Church of the Reconciliation, Webster. These meetings were well attended where the conditions of the people enabled them to do so.

It, however, is to be regretted that most of the people have not yet come up to the work with that earnestness and spirit so indispensable to growth and progress. It cannot, therefore, be too often or too strongly stated that, without

the most hearty inter-relations between the laity and clergy on the subject of Church extension, no solid advance or measure of aggression can take place.

Among the laity are noble instances of great and good missionaries. Would they were hundreds where they are but tens!

What is a Convocation?

The Central Convocation comprises the clergy actually and canonically resident in Worcester County, with the wardens of Parishes within the county; the delegates to the Diocesan Convention for the current year, and members of the General and Diocesan Boards of Missions residing within the county. And, further, for the benefit of those who are not familiar with the functions of the Convocations, it is added here that, according to Title II, Canon I, Section 3, of the Diocesan Canons, "The Convocations are recognized and adopted as auxiliaries of the Board, unless such meeting be held during the sessions of the Convention."

And by virtue of this recognition, the Convocations are expected to assist in establishing and sustaining missions and in assisting feeble parishes within the diocese, which, to become effective and something more and better than a paper statute, needs to be entered on in the spirit of Nehemiah and his co-builders.

The impetus given to the work at the last meeting augurs well for the doing of much good work in the future. The services were hearty, the addresses instructive and convincing, and nothing appeared to be wanting but — to go to work in the feeble and waste places throughout the Convocation, of which, alas! there are several.

The mission at Clinton was reported as being then in an interesting state of great promise in growth, and the Convocation very promptly pledged itself to aid it at the time it is needed.

Some other places were visited and services given by the dean and another clerical member; but a wide field is fallow and cannot be worked without men and means to do the work. If the Board of Missions could pay about \$500 a year to have this work partly done, much of it could well be done by the resident clergy. But it is suggested, Why does not the Convocation provide means to carry on this work with? Very true. Another suggests that the contributions for Diocesan Missions within the Convocation are not so large as they might be. Very true. That's precisely the rub, and until the rub is rubbed out, the fallow will remain as it is.

The gross amount of the offerings is \$76.19, half of which was forwarded to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions.

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY MACKAY, *Secretary.*

N. B. — This, for the present, ends my official relations with this Convocation.

The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT presented the Annual Report of the Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children.

CHURCH HOME REPORT.

The Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children has gone on prosperously during the past year, with no changes except the removing, to their own or other families, of fourteen of the children. These vacancies have been speedily filled by other applicants, and one hundred children (the full number) are now receiving the watchful care and influence of the matrons who devote their lives



to the temporal and spiritual interests of the Home. The children go daily to the public schools and give general satisfaction to their teachers and patrons. No deaths have occurred and no serious illness. They have received the usual kind remembrances of friends at the Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter holidays, and during the long summer vacation. Three have been baptized and three have received the rite of confirmation in St. Matthew's Church. The children have attended the parish church on Sunday mornings, and have had the usual Sunday afternoon instruction in the chapel of the Institution, under the care of the rector of St. Matthew's Church. The Managers feel encouraged to commend the Home again to the charity and interest of the diocese, upon which they must still depend for its support.

In behalf of the Board of Managers,

MAY, 1876.

A. H. MASON, *Secretary*.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS presented the Annual Report of the Dakota League.

The Dakota League of Massachusetts would respectfully submit to the Rt. Rev. the Bishop, and to the Convention of the Diocese now assembled, the following report:—

That since the last report to the Convention ten public meetings have been held; that a gain of seven Parishes has been made, making in all seventy Parishes in the Diocese working for Indian missions through and with the League; and that, notwithstanding the fact that local charities and needs have pressed on every hand, the offerings in money and benefactions to missions and schools in clothing and household supplies are fully equal in value to those of last year.

Eight thousand reprints and pamphlets issued by the Indian Commission have been distributed, and a correspondence demanding more than a thousand letters has been pleasantly and profitably carried on with two thirds of the Rectors and Parish representatives in this Diocese, and with other branches of organized work through general and local secretaries. Nor has the distant missionary been forgotten, but hearts have been cheered and labor lightened by the assurance that friends in the East are working and praying for them.

Our benefactions have visited every mission station under the care of our Church, and yet we cannot keep pace with the present needs or growth of the work. Will not every Rector in the Diocese gladly welcome and cordially commend this branch of work to the women of his Parish and give them the opportunity to prove that the missionary spirit is not a *sentiment*, but an active living and working force?

By the courtesy of the officers of the Episcopal Church Association, the League has the use of the Church Rooms for the monthly meetings, which are holden on the second Wednesday of the month, at three o'clock, P. M., from September to June, inclusive. The clergy and friends of missionary work are made specially welcome. In behalf of the Board of Managers,

M. S. MACKINTOSH.
HARRIET E. CARYL.
SARAH F. HOYT.
GRACE H. HAMLEN.
ELLEN C. CLARK.

Boston, May 17, 1876.

On motion of Dr. SHATTUCK, —

Resolved, That the salary of the Secretary of the Convention be increased to \$300 annually, such increase to begin with the year, closing with the final adjournment of this meeting of the Convention.

Resolved, That the Report of St. Luke's Home be presented without reading.

The Report was presented by the Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

To the friends of St. Luke's Home, and to all who may care to listen, we offer again the quiet story of our work and stewardship.

Through another year this House of Charity has sought to fulfil its ministry of mercy, chiefly by welcoming those whom the hospitals could not accept, or might not fitly retain, during the uncertain period of convalescence. To gather these within our narrow walls on Florence Street in the winter months and to watch their return to health in summer hours at Quisset has been again our duty and delight.

In all such service of the sick and poor, there is a hidden record which we may not wholly read and so can never transcribe. Pale faces, sad hearts, and shadowed lives come to us for care and cheer, for shelter, food, and nursing in the time of peculiar need. As they go away with a grateful memory, and often with new-found treasure of faith and love, theirs is the true "report," told in humble dwellings, renewed as they revisit the Home from time to time, and lifted in prayers to God.

So long as it shall be "more blessed to give than to receive," there is another tale which these years are telling, and which is written of them who have been benefactors and helpers in all our toil. Such Homes do far more than we can know to quicken tender sympathies, to remind the rich of Him who for our sakes was poor, to teach lessons of patience and trust, to rebuke self-indulgence, and thus to meet, with gentle remedy, some of the ills which beset the strong and the prosperous.

We have noticed in the past year a growth of kindly interest, while the income from subscriptions and donations has been larger than ever before. Still a debt burdens us, which we hope very earnestly to pay ere long, and then to meet the cost of maintenance by such annual gifts as we are encouraged to expect. Let us be allowed to plead again for such loving remembrance as may supply our daily wants, without prejudice to other claims quite as urgent as our own.

It has been suggested that many persons might consent to furnish, on two days of every year, a basket filled from their own homes to replenish our store. By this plan much might be wrought in the way of thoughtful provision for our household.

The enlargement of the Home at Quisset is much to be desired, and towards this object the sum of \$500 is already given. With a small outlay a suitable building could be erected which would accommodate forty patients, who would find, in midsummer, the most healthful air and the best aids to recovery in this delightful locality.

In closing this statement of our work and wants, the Trustees wish to acknowledge once more the valuable services of the physicians and the faithful devotion of the Sisters of St. Luke, who have known the immediate charge of the Home.



The question then came up on the amendment to the Second Article of the Constitution, presented by CAUSTEN BROWNE (page 44).

The Rev. Dr. HUNTINGTON moved that Section 2, of the proposed Article II, be amended by the omission of the words "in duties not inconsistent with his ordination vows."

The mover of the original amendment accepted the amendment, which, on motion, was adopted.

The vote was taken by orders upon the adoption of Sections 1 and 2, of Article II, as amended, the Clergy in favor rising till counted.

There being no negative votes, Sections 1 and 2 were carried by the Clergy.

The Lay vote was taken in the same manner, the vote of the Parishes being unanimously in favor of the adoption of Sections 1 and 2.

The question then came up on the adoption of Section 3 of the proposed amendment.

The Rev. H. MACKAY proposed an amendment to Section 3, so as to read, "and a communicant in the said Parish Church," instead of the words "a communicant of this Church."

This amendment was lost.

The Rev. Dr. HUNTINGTON proposed as an amendment of Section 3 that the words "and a communicant of this Church," be stricken out.

The mover withdrew the amendment.

The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS presented the Annual Report of the Eastern Convocation.

In answering the Canonical demand for a Report from each Convocation in the Diocese we can submit little more than a record of the stated meetings, four of which have been held at the appointed times, in St. Anne's Church, Lowell, Grace Church, Newton, Christ Church, Waltham, and St. Paul's, Malden.

After the Diocesan Convention of last year an effort was made to revive and increase the Convocational life. As it had completed its work as an independent missionary body, the best method of co-operating with the General Board as an auxiliary seemed to be this: to increase the interest in its meetings and to make the public services at the same more worthy of attention. This effort has been

successful. The number of clergy attending has largely increased and the public services have proved of unusual interest.

By assigning topics for discussion which are of real importance to the Church, the Parish, and the individual; by hearty services of prayer and praise, by earnest discussion of the missionary field, a new life has been infused into the Convocation. But this should be greatly increased and our efforts redoubled.

The Constitution and By-Laws of the Convocation were revised at the meeting in June last and include a provision for lay representation by the Parishes.

It is hoped that an effort may be made to carry this into effect and to increase the interest of our prominent laymen in the doings of Convocation.

The missionary work has not been forgotten. A portion of each session has been devoted to the discussion of missionary topics, and reports have been heard from missionaries resident within our limits. The missions at Arlington, Cambridge, Peabody, Wakefield, and Chelmsford have thus been brought before us, and have received our warm co-operation. The Treasurer reports one offering sent to the General Board. Since our last Report two members of Convocation have entered into rest, — the Rev. Edwin Bailey Chase, the Rev. Moses Bailey Chase. Most touching memorials of their worth and their abundant labors have been entered upon the Records.

The year past certainly proves that the Convocation has still a work of its own to do, and that in many ways it may prove an important auxiliary to the Central Missionary Organization, which has found how wide is the field, how ripe is the harvest, how incessant the demand for laborers.

WM. G. WELLS, *Secretary*.

The Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN presented the Annual Report of the Western Convocation.

REPORT OF WESTERN CONVOCATION.

The Western Convocation respectfully reports that the officers for the conventional year 1876 are, —

Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D., *Dean*; Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN, *Secretary*; Rev. WILLIAM MCGILGATHERY, *Treasurer*; and that these constitute the Executive Committee of the Convocation.

Rev. Alexander Burgess, D. D., of Springfield, and Dr. W. E. Vermilye, of Pittsfield, have been chosen members of the Board of Missions of the Diocese for the ensuing year.

Two meetings of the Convocation have been held during the past conventional year.

HENRY F. ALLEN, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, —

Resolved, That Section 3 of the proposed amendment to the Constitution be adopted, with the exception of the words "and a communicant of this Church," which words shall be postponed for the consideration of the next meeting of the Convention.

The motion was taken by orders, by a rising vote, the Clergy unanimously voting in favor of the adoption of Section 3, with the exception proposed by the Rev. T. F. Fales.

The Laity concurred by an unanimous vote.

The Rev. Dr. HUNTINGTON moved that Section 4 be amended by the addition of the words, "with the subsequent approval of the Bishop of the Diocese," after the words "repelled from the Communion."

The vote was taken by orders, the Clergy rising in approval, voting unanimously in favor.

The Lay vote was taken in the same manner, and was unanimously in favor of the amendment.

The vote was then taken upon the adoption of the whole Article II, as amended.

The Convention voted by orders, as before, both Clergy and Laity voting unanimously for the adoption.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS, from the Standing Committee on the Constitution and Canons, made the following Report:—

The Standing Committee on Constitution and Canons, to whom was committed so much of the Annual Address of the Bishop as refers to organization of parishes, respectfully report,—

That they regard the matter, as presented by the Bishop, as one of pressing and present importance. It appears to them impracticable, without interference with rights granted to citizens by the statutes of the Commonwealth, by canonical action, to touch directly the hasty or unendorsed formation of parishes; but indirectly it can be effected.

They propose the following resolution:—

Resolved, That Article XII of the Constitution, "on the admission of a parish into union with the Convention," be amended by inserting in Section 2, Line 3, after the word "parish," the words, "together with the circumstances and need of its organization," so that the section shall read, "Copies of said Articles of Association or Charter and of the Constitution and By-Laws of such Parish, together with the circumstances and need of its organization, must also be submitted to the Bishop and Standing Committee," etc.

For the Committee,

ALEXANDER BURGESS.

The vote on the amendment of the Constitution proposed in Article XII, by the above Report, was adopted by a vote by orders, the Clerical and Lay members rising till counted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BURGESS,—

Resolved, That Articles XIII, XV, and XVI (pages 87 and 88 of Journal of 1875) be postponed for the consideration of the next meeting of the Convention.

On motion of CAUSTEN BROWNE,—

Resolved, That Article II of the Constitution (page 5, Journal of 1875) be repealed.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BURGESS, —

Resolved, That the consideration of the proposed Canons (pages 89-95, Journal of 1875) be postponed for the consideration of the next meeting of the Convention.

The Rev. Dr. HOWARD, from the Committee to nominate the names of persons to serve as members of the Diocesan Board of Missions, reported as follows:—

The Committee to nominate the names of persons to serve as members of the Diocesan Board of Missions, report that they find the terms of service of four expire by limitation, viz. the Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton, the Rev. E. M. Gushee, Mr. J. S. Blatchford, and Mr. D. B. Hagar. They recommend the re-election of these four gentlemen.

They also recommend the election of Mr. Robert Treat Paine, Jr., to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. M. S. Bradford.

ROGER S. HOWARD,

For the Committee.

On motion, balloting was dispensed with, and the persons nominated were elected.

JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, Treasurer of the Diocesan Board of Missions, presented the Annual Report of that body.

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS.

May 1, 1875, to May 1, 1876.

The past year, while it has not been exempt from the common experience of solicitude and difficulty, has been one of marked result and encouragement for the Diocesan Board of Missions. Could the difficulties have been foreseen pertaining to an almost unprecedented depression in every department of affairs, — diminishing ordinary resources and imposing unaccustomed burdens upon a large proportion of our Parishes, — the work of the year might have been undertaken with much hesitation. Notwithstanding these difficulties, however, the year's record exhibits a more efficient prosecution of our missionary work than has hitherto been attained in the history of the Diocese. The full measure of aid has been given to our feeble parishes, — always a very large and important part of our missionary work, — and the several missions have been sustained with unusual efficiency, and, in some instances, with marked results of vigorous growth and prosperity.

The Board has had the constant encouragement afforded by a steadily growing recognition on the part of the Parishes of the Diocese of the importance and claims of the work, and of responsibility for its support, resulting in the contribution of a larger sum than has ever been given in any previous year through the offerings of the Parishes of the Diocese for the support of diocesan missions. Considering the extraordinary financial depression and embarrassment which has characterized the year, this result is very striking, and cannot but convey

assured confidence that we are in the right way of doing the important work committed to us. Let it also impart new courage and zeal for larger and more earnest effort for the future.

The Treasurer's statement exhibits the work of the year in detail, and comparing it with the report of the previous year, the encouraging results are apparent.

The total Receipts for the year have been \$12,872 03

From the following sources:

From Parish Offerings	\$7,561 70	
" Convocations	49 98	
" Individual Gifts	255 00	
" Special Gifts	4,950 35	
" Dividends on Bank Stock	55 00	
	<hr/>	\$12,872 03

The Disbursements have been \$12,872 03

Applied as follows:

Balance from account of 1874-5	\$924 43	
For Support of Rectors and Missionaries	11,077 76	
" Interest on Loans	57 45	
" Publication and distribution of "The Diocese,"	540 00	
" Expenses	272 39	
	<hr/>	\$12,872 03

The Receipts the past year have been \$12,872.03 as compared with \$9,531.08 the previous year, an increase of \$3,340.95. The Disbursements have been \$12,872.03, as compared with \$10,455.51 the previous year, an increase of \$2,416.52.

In the previous year, 1874-5, eighty-seven parishes contributed one hundred and thirty-nine offerings to the treasury of the Board, and a total sum of \$6,603.70. In the past year one hundred and one Parishes have contributed one hundred and ninety-one offerings, and a total sum of \$7,561.70, an increase of fourteen in the number of contributing Parishes, and of \$958 in the amount contributed.

35 Parishes have contributed	1 offering =	35 offerings.
53 Parishes have contributed	2 offerings =	106 offerings.
9 Parishes have contributed	3 offerings =	27 offerings.
3 Parishes have contributed	4 offerings =	12 offerings.
1 Parish has contributed	12 offerings =	12 offerings.
101 Parishes have contributed		191 offerings.

Sixteen Parishes, which appear on the Parochial List of 1875, have not contributed during the year to the treasury of the Board: of this number three are in a condition of wholly suspended life, — Chicopee, Holliston, and Oxford; six have been vacant some portion of the year, — Chelmsford, Great Barrington, Melrose, Newburyport, Newton, "St. Mary's," and Pittsfield; and one (St. Paul's, Stockbridge) is supporting from its own resources a mission at South Lee, involving an expenditure of some \$1,200 a year.

Forty Parishes and Missions have received the aid of the Board during the year, as compared with thirty-two the previous year, as follows: —

Amesbury, St. James; Ashfield, St. John's; East Boston, St. John's; Bridgewater, Trinity; East Bridgewater, Mission; Brighton, St. Margaret's; Brockton, St. Paul's Mission; East Cambridge, Ascension Mission; Chelmsford, Emmanuel; Clinton, Mission; Danvers, Calvary; East Hampton, St. Philip's; Framingham, St. John's; Gloucester, St. John's; Hopkinton, St. Paul's; Lee, St. George's; Marlborough, Mission; Milford, Trinity; Dorchester Lower Mills, All Saints'; Nantucket, St. Paul's; North Attleborough, Grace; Natick, St. Paul's; Otis, St. Paul's; Palmer, St. Paul's Mission; Peabody, St. Paul's Mission; Rochdale, Christ; Sheffield, Christ; Somerville, St. Thomas; Swansea, Christ; Van Deusenville, Trinity; Ware, Trinity; Wakefield, Emmanuel; Westfield, Atone-ment; West Newton, Messiah; Wilkinsonville, St. John's; Williamstown, St. John's; Woburn, Trinity; Wood's Hole, Messiah; Wrentham, Trinity.

The following changes are noted as having occurred in the several Parishes and Missions receiving the aid of the Board:—

Rev. B. R. Gifford resigned the charge of Trinity, Bridgewater, June 1, 1875, and was succeeded, July 1, 1875, by Rev. Joseph Jenks, the Missionary of the Board, appointed also to the charge of the Mission at East Bridgewater.

St. Margaret's, Brighton, remained vacant after the resignation of Rev. C. A. Holbrook, until Jan. 30, 1876, when Rev. Thomas Cole was settled as Rector.

Rev. B. R. Gifford resigned the charge of the Mission at Brockton, June 1, 1875, and was succeeded on Aug. 15, 1875, by Rev. Thomas G. Carver, D. D., under whose very able and efficient care a missionary organization has been formed under the name of St. Paul's Mission, and steps are already in progress for the erection of a chapel, with encouraging promise that the undertaking may soon result in the establishment of a vigorous and influential Parish.

Emmanuel, Chelmsford, has, during the year, established a parochial organization, and Rev. B. F. Cooley became its Rector Dec. 12, 1875.

Rev. J. W. Birchmore, the appointed Missionary to the Mission at Clinton, entered upon his duties June 1, 1875.

Rev. Francis Chase was settled as Rector of St. John's, Framingham, on July 1, 1875.

All Saints', Dorchester Lower Mills, remained vacant from May 1, 1875, to October 15, 1875, when Rev. George S. Bennitt entered upon the Rectorship.

Rev. William R. Hooper, Jr., assumed charge of St. Paul's, Nantucket, July 1, 1875.

St. Paul's, Natick, was vacant from Jan. 19, 1875, the date of Rev. F. S. Fisher's resignation, until June 1, 1875, when Rev. B. R. Gifford assumed charge of the Parish.

Rev. George Walker entered upon his duties as Missionary at Peabody, having also the care of Emmanuel, Wakefield, Aug. 19, 1875. In the mean time a chapel has been erected at Peabody, and a work of great promise is being efficiently prosecuted.

Trinity, Ware, and St. Paul's Mission, Palmer, became vacant May 1, 1876, by the resignation of Rev. B. W. Atwell, the Missionary in charge.

Rev. F. W. Smith entered upon the Rectorship of the Church of the Messiah, West Newton, on Whitsunday, May 16, 1875. A very desirable lot of land has been secured, and the early erection of a chapel is contemplated, with every encouraging promise for the future of the Parish.

Rev. James S. Ellis, in addition to the care of St. John's, Wilkinsonville, has

prosecuted missionary work at Milbury, a special gift having been made to the Board for its support.

Trinity, Wrentham, remained vacant from May 1, 1875, until July 1, 1875, when Rev. O. F. Starkey was settled as Rector.

Rev. S. R. Bailey entered upon his duties as minister in charge of Christ Church, Rochdale, and the Mission at Cherry Valley, on June 4, 1875.

St. Paul's, Otis, has been supplied with occasional but regular services during the summer and autumn of 1875, by Rev. W. R. Harris, Rector of St. George's, Lee.

Mission work at Hopkinton and Marlborough has been prosecuted by Rev. F. L. Bush, commencing June-1, 1875.

Ascension Mission, East Cambridge, has been under the charge of Rev. William Warland since May 16, 1875.

The third semi-annual missionary meeting of the Board was held in Christ Church, Fitchburg, Oct. 12 and 13, 1875, and the fourth in Grace Church, Lawrence, April 26 and 27, 1876. The programme of each meeting is given herewith.

THIRD SEMI-ANNUAL MISSIONARY MEETING, CHRIST CHURCH, FITCHBURG,
OCT. 12 AND 13, 1875.

Tuesday, Oct. 12.

4 P. M. Consideration of Sunday School Interests.

1. *The Relation of the Sunday School to the Pastor, the Parent, and the Sponsor.* By the Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Beverly.
2. *The Subjects and Methods of Sunday School Instruction.* By the Rev. G. W. SHINN, Rector of Grace Church, Newton.
3. *The Motives to Labor and Sacrifice in Sunday School Work.* By the Rev. R. B. VAN KLEECK, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Hyde Park.

7½ P. M. The Missionary Sermon. By the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, Rector of Trinity Church, Boston.

Wednesday, Oct. 13.

10 A. M. Celebration of the Holy Communion.

Concio ad Clerum. By the Bishop.

3 P. M. Public Conference on Missionary Subjects.

Subjects suggested (any Missionary question in order):—

"Itinerant Diocesan Missionaries."

"The 'Evangelist' question as it concerns our Missionary Undertakings."

"How to enlarge Parochial Interest in our Work."

7½ P. M. The Missionary Meeting.

1. *Aggressive Work full of Loyalty, Charity, and Promise.* By the Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Springfield.
2. *Every Christian an Enlisted Missionary for Christ.* By the Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Boston.
3. *Our Diocesan History full of Encouragement to Missionary Enterprise.* By the Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN, late Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Lynn.

FOURTH SEMI-ANNUAL DIOCESAN MISSIONARY MEETING, GRACE CHURCH
LAWRENCE, APRIL 26 AND 27, 1876.

Wednesday, April 26.

- 3 P. M. Meeting of the Diocesan Board.
7½ P. M. Missionary Service.
Missionary Sermon. By the Rev. PERCY BROWNE, Rector of St James' Church, Boston Highlands.
Practical Suggestions by Clergymen or Laymen.

Thursday, April 27.

- 10 A. M. Celebration of the Holy Communion.
Concio ad Clerum. By the Bishop.
3 P. M. Public Conference on Missionary Subjects.
Subject suggested.
"The connection between a thorough Missionary Interest in Parish and the Missionary Interest and Enterprise of its Minister." Discussion opened by the Rev. T. LOGAN MURPHY, Rector of Christ Church, Fitchburg.
7½ P. M. Final Missionary Meeting.
1. *Why this Church must insist on Increased Interest and Labors in behalf of its Diocesan Missions.* By the Rev. THEODOSIUS I. TYNG, Rector of St. James' Church, Cambridge.
2. *The Necessary and the Needless Obstacles to Success in our Missionary Enterprises.* By the Rev. THOMAS G. CARVER, D. D. Missionary at Brockton.
3. *Our Present Strength the Outgrowth of a Foregoing Missionary Feebleness.* By the Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, Rector of Christ Church, Boston.
Closing Remarks and Benediction, by the Bishop.

A public meeting in behalf of the Board was also held in St. James' Church Boston, on Nov. 28, 1875, at which addresses were made by the Bishop, Rev. Percy Browne, the Rector, and E. R. Mudge, Esq.

The action of the Board in undertaking the publication and distribution "The Diocese" seems to have been abundantly justified by the influence which it has exerted in informing and interesting the parishes of the Diocese in its work. Four numbers have been issued, with an average distribution of 5,000 copies each. About 4,000 copies of each number have been sent direct from the printers to the parishes of the Diocese, and about 1,500 have been sent out quarterly through the post from the treasurer's office to individuals, chiefly residents of Boston.

An amendment of the Missionary Canon at the last Convention enlarged the Board by giving to each of the four Convocations a representation of two, — one clergyman and one layman from each, — and enlarging the Board from sixteen to twenty-four.

The Eastern Convocation elected as its representatives, Rev. Theo. Edison, D. D., and Francis C. Foster. The Southern has been represented by Rev. R. H. Howe and Joseph Story Fay; the Central, by Rev. J. I. T. Coolidge, D. D., and

James H. Howe; and the Western, by Rev. Alex. Burgess, D. D., and W. E. Vermilye, M. D.

A review of the year's work and its results cannot but be encouraging; and yet there has been much of solicitude and something of embarrassment in discharging the obligations assumed by the Board. While they have great reason to rejoice in the large increase both in the number of contributing Parishes, and in the amount of parochial offerings, the Board would impress upon the Convention the indispensable necessity of more earnest effort and of more liberal offerings, if the work is to be continued on its present basis, to say nothing of any further development.

The fact is,—and the Board beg that the Convention will not lose sight of it,—that the Report which by the blessing of God we are privileged to make, that we are free from debt, is owing solely to large and unlooked-for *special gifts*.

At the close of last year there was a balance of indebtedness of \$1,100. Early in this Conventional year, the Treasurer was compelled to borrow, upon his own personal responsibility, \$2,000 more, in order to pay the Missionary stipends for the first quarter. Within the last week he has been requested by the lenders of each of these sums to consider them as offerings to the Board, and it is only in this way that a debt of \$3,100 has been cancelled. By great effort, the Treasurer has been enabled, through the liberality of other friends of the cause, to discharge a further indebtedness of \$1,100. But notwithstanding all this generous aid, he felt two days ago that he should be obliged to report a deficit of \$1,300. Since the missionary meeting on Tuesday evening, however, some unknown friend has nobly paid this deficit; and thus it is that the Board of Missions owes no man anything.

But though God has most mercifully raised up friends in a great emergency, we must remember that we have no right to rely upon such large special gifts in future. But for these gifts we should be burdened at this moment with a debt of over \$5,000,—nearly one half of the entire disbursements for the year. And at our present rate of expenditure it will not be possible, without a very large increase in offerings, to avoid a heavy debt in the year to come. The Board desires to bring this plain business statement distinctly before the Church. They are the servants of the Church, to whom she has delegated her most important work. They believe that the Church has confidence in their wisdom, their prudence, and their zeal, or she would not have called them to serve her. They believe that the Church looks to them to plan, and pledges herself to enable them to carry out their plans. They beg to say, then, forcibly and earnestly, that in their judgment they have no right to undertake less than they are endeavoring to do; that they ought to undertake still more; but that if they are to fulfil their trust, if they are to pay, and pay promptly, their faithful Missionaries, if they are to advance the cause of Christ and His Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts, they must have more money.

Boston, May 18, 1876.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS offered the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That the Convention return thanks to the Divine Lord, Head of the Church, for the blessings vouchsafed upon the cares and labors of the Board of Missions the past year, and for the spirit of loyalty and charity by Him granted in so large measure to both Parishes and individuals.

Resolved, That the Convention, sensible of its duty to sustain and advance the establishment of the Lord's Church in the limits of the Diocese, desires no diminution in the appropriations of the Board of Missions, and pledges renewed and more earnest efforts that the Missionary work be vigorously prosecuted and that the needs of the Treasury be promptly and fully met by collections from all the Parishes.

Which, on motion, were adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BROOKS, —

Resolved, That the charge of the Bishop of the Diocese, delivered at the opening of the Convention, be printed under the direction of the Secretary.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the Journal of this meeting of the Convention be printed under the direction of the Secretary.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN presented the following preamble and resolution : —

Whereas, It appears from their Report presented to this Convention that the Special Commission for the establishment of a Church School for Girls were fully persuaded that such a school is desirable, and that the Commission asked to be discharged only because of the lack of general interest in the subject, and the difficulty of securing money to carry it on; and whereas, it seems inexpedient that this subject should be utterly removed from the notice of the Church, therefore

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed by the Bishop to have in their charge the general subject of awakening an interest in Church Schools, and without committing this Convention to any particular scheme, to encourage, as far as possible, the establishment of such school or schools in this Diocese.

The CHAIR appointed the following gentlemen as that Committee : —

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN.

" " CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.

" " GEORGE W. DURELL.

" " WILLIAM MCGLATHERY.

J. GARDNER WHITE.

EDWARD L. DAVIS.

JAMES H. HOWE.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS read the following Report from the Standing Committee on Constitution and Canons : —

The Standing Committee on the Constitution and Canons respectfully report, That they have selected Rev. Alexander Burgess, D. D., a member of the Committee to fulfil the duties required by Title IV, Canon V, Section 2.

For the Committee,

ALEX. BURGESS.

The Rev. REGINALD H. HOWE presented the Annual Report of the Southern Convocation : —

The Southern Convocation respectfully report that it has held interesting and profitable meetings during the year in each of the following parishes: Grace Church, New Bedford; St. Andrew's, Hanover; St. John's, Jamaica Plain; Christ Church, Hyde Park; and St. John's, Boston Highlands. The average attendance of the clergy has been twelve; and at each meeting, in addition to the public missionary service, there has been an essay and the discussion of an appointed topic. One of its declared purposes, — "the mutual counsel and edification of its members," — the Convocation feels it is serving in no small degree. A measure looking to the accomplishment of more strictly missionary work has been the appointment of a Committee to "consider and mature a plan by which the scattered members of the Church outside of organized parishes and missions may be visited and ministered to in spiritual things." This, it is hoped, will result in a fuller satisfaction of the terms of that section of the Missionary Canon which indicates the sort of work expected of the Convocations.

At the May meeting, the Rev. George S. Converse was elected Dean and the Rev. R. H. Howe Secretary and Treasurer; also Mr. Joseph Story Fay and the Secretary to represent the Convocation on the Board of Missions of the Diocese for the current year.

REGINALD H. HOWE, *Secretary.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BROOKS, —

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this Convention be given to the officers of St. Paul's Church for the use of their edifice, to the churchmen of Boston for their hospitality, and to the Committee on Hospitality for the provision made by them for the entertainment and comfort of the clergy of the Diocese.

Resolved, That after the reading of the Minutes and action thereupon, and the usual devotional services by the Bishop, this meeting of the Convention adjourn.

The Minutes were then read and approved.

The Convention then united in singing the Doxology, and after prayer and benediction by the BISHOP, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

Attest :

BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK,
Bishop of Massachusetts.

JOSEPH H. CLINCH,
Secretary.

W. HENRY BROOKS,
Assistant Secretary.



APPENDIX A.

Articles of the proposed Constitution and Canons, postponed for Consideration of the Eighty-Seventh Meeting of the Convention.

In Article II, Section 3, after the words "the Parish which he represents," the words "*and a communicant of this Church.*"

ARTICLE XIII.

ECCLESIASTICAL COURT.

1 There shall be a permanent Court for the trial of Clergymen, composed of
2 eight Presbyters canonically and actually resident in the Diocese, not members
3 of the Standing Committee, who shall be chosen by the Convention at an
4 election to be held every fifth year, and shall hold office for a term of five years;
5 and vacancies shall be filled by elections annually for unexpired terms. Five
6 shall constitute a quorum; but a smaller number may adjourn. The concur-
7 rence of six members, if the Court be full, otherwise of five members, shall be
8 necessary for conviction. If by reason of vacancies, or of disqualifications by
9 challenges, or of failure to attend, there shall be less than a full Court to enter
10 upon a trial, and either party demands a full Court, the Court shall be filled
11 in the following manner: The remaining members of the Court shall nominate
12 three times as many as are required, and the list shall be reduced to the re-
13 quired number by the accused and the Church Advocate alternately striking
14 off one name. The Presbyters so selected shall hold office only for the purposes
15 of the pending trial.

ARTICLE XV.

ALTERATIONS OF THIS CONSTITUTION.

1 The mode of altering or amending this Constitution shall be as follows:
2 The proposed amendment shall be presented in writing at an Annual Session
3 of the Convention; and if approved by a majority of each Order, it shall be
4 acted upon at the next Annual Session of the Convention; when, if a majority
5 of each Order, voting separately and by ballot, shall approve the said pro-
6 posed amendment, it shall become a part of the Constitution of the Diocese.

ARTICLE XVI.

REPEAL.

1 All previous Constitutions of the Diocese are hereby repealed.

CANONS.

TITLE III. OF DISCIPLINE.

CANON I.

OF PROCEEDINGS IN ECCLESIASTICAL COURTS.

1 SECTION 1. The members of the Ecclesiastical Court shall be Convened
 2 convened for business by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Dio- by Eccle-
 3 cese; and not less than thirty days' written notice of the time and siastical
 4 place of meeting shall be given to each of the members. Authority.

1 SECT. 2. Every Court shall meet within the Diocese, at the time Shall meet
 2 and place appointed by the authority for convening the same. It in Diocese.
 3 may adjourn from day to day until a quorum shall attend. When
 4 there is a quorum, it shall proceed to organize by electing a Presi-
 5 dent and a Clerk, and, if it shall be thought proper, an Assistant
 6 Clerk. It may then adjourn to any time within six months, and
 7 to any place within the Diocese.

1 SECT. 3. The parties to every proceeding in an Ecclesiastical The Church
 2 Court are two; viz. the accused and a Church Advocate. The Advocate.
 3 Church Advocate shall be appointed by the presenting body, and
 4 shall always be a communicant of this Church.

1 SECT. 4. Written notice of the time and place of the meeting of Notice of
 2 the Court shall be given to the accused and the Church Advocate time and
 3 at least thirty days before the time fixed for its assembling. place.

1 SECT. 5. If the accused neglect or refuse to appear in person, In case the
 2 according to the notice served on him as aforesaid, except for some accused
 3 reasonable cause to be allowed by the Court, they may proceed to neglect or
 4 pronounce him in contumacy, and report the fact to the Bishop, refuse to
 5 who shall thereupon suspend such Clergyman from the exercise of appear.
 6 his ministry, for contumacy; until he shall appear and demand a
 7 trial. But if the accused shall not present himself before the ex-
 8 piration of twelve months, he may be sentenced for contumacy.

1 SECT. 6. If the accused appear, he shall be called upon by the The ac-
 2 Court to say whether he is guilty or not guilty of the offence or cused shall
 3 offences charged against him; and, on his neglect or refusal so to plead guilty
 4 do, the plea of *Not guilty* shall be entered for him, and the trial or not guilty.
 5 shall proceed; *Provided* that for sufficient cause the Court may

6 adjourn from time to time within six months, and *Provided, also,*
7 that the accused shall at all times during the trial have liberty to
8 be present, and, in due time and order, to produce his testimony,
9 and to make his defence.

1 SECT. 7. No testimony shall be received at the trial, except from Mode in
2 witnesses who shall have taken an oath or affirmation, to be ad- which tes-
3 ministered by some person authorized by law to administer oaths, timony
4 that they will testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but shall be
5 the truth, concerning the matters charged in the presentment. received.
6 And, in case there is ground to suppose that the attendance of any
7 witness on the trial cannot be obtained, it shall be lawful for either
8 party to apply to the Court, if in session, or if not, to any member
9 thereof, who, after notice to the opposing party, may grant a rule
10 for the taking of the deposition of such witness, according to the
11 law of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and such deposition
12 may be read at the trial, if it then appear to the satisfaction of the
13 Court that it is impracticable to secure the personal attendance of
14 the witness, or if the party against whom it is offered shall not
15 object.

1 SECT. 8. All notices and papers may be served by a summoner Serving of
2 or summoners, to be appointed by the Court when the same is in notices and
3 session, or by a member thereof; and the certificate of any such papers.
4 summoner shall be evidence of the due service of a notice or paper.
5 In case of service by any other person, the fact may be proved by
6 the affidavit of such person.

1 SECT. 9. If the person to be served with any notice or paper shall Serving no-
2 have left the United States, it shall be a sufficient service thereof tice on a
3 to leave a copy of such notice or paper at his last place of abode person who
4 within the United States, sixty days before the day on which the has left the
5 appearance or other act required by the said notice or paper is to be United
6 performed. States.

1 SECT. 10. Every trial shall be conducted by a Church Advocate. Counsel
2 The accused may appear by counsel: in every case the Court may may be em-
3 regulate the number of counsel who shall address the Court or ployed on
4 examine witnesses. both sides.

1 SECT. 11. The Court, having fully heard the testimony for and The deci-
2 against the accused, and deliberately considered the same, shall sion of the
3 declare whether, in their opinion, the accused is guilty or not guilty Court.
4 of each particular charge and specification contained in the pre-
5 sentment, in the order in which they are set forth; and the accused
6 shall be considered as not guilty of every charge and specification
7 of which he shall not be pronounced guilty by the requisite majority

8 of the Court. The decision of the Court, as to all the charges and
 9 specifications of which such majority of the members of the Court
 10 have found him guilty, shall be reduced to writing, and signed by
 11 those who assent to it; and a decision pronouncing him not guilty
 12 of all those charges and specifications of which such majority shall
 13 not have pronounced him guilty shall also be drawn up and signed
 14 by those who assent to it; and the decision thus signed shall be
 15 regarded as the judgment of the Court, and shall be pronounced in
 16 the presence of the parties, if they shall think proper to attend.

1 SECT. 12. If the accused shall be found guilty of any charge or If found
 2 specification, the Court shall proceed to ask him whether he has guilty, the
 3 anything to say before the sentence is passed, and may in their accused
 4 discretion give him time to prepare what he wishes to say, and shall have
 5 appoint a time for passing the sentence; and before passing sentence time to pre-
 6 the Court may adjourn from time to time, and give the accused pare a
 7 reasonable opportunity of showing cause to induce a belief that reply.
 8 justice has not been done, or that he has discovered new testimony;
 9 and the Court, or a majority of its members, may, in its discretion,
 10 grant him a new trial. Before sentence is passed, the accused shall
 11 always have the opportunity of being heard, if he have aught to
 12 say in excuse or palliation.

1 SECT. 13. Every Court shall keep a full record of its proceedings, The record
 2 including the whole evidence given before it. to be kept
 by the
 Court.

1 SECT. 14. Such records shall be kept by the Clerk, and inserted Record to
 2 in a book, to be attested by the signatures of the President and be attested
 3 Clerk. Every such book, and all papers connected with any trial, by Pres-
 4 shall be deposited with the Secretary of the Standing Committee. ident and
 Clerk.

1 SECT. 15. Whenever, in this or any other Canon, notice of the Time and
 2 time and place of any meeting is required to be given, such notice place to be
 3 shall specify the building in which, and day and hour at which, specified.
 4 such meeting is to take place.

1 SECT. 16. All the proceedings of Ecclesiastical Courts shall be Proceed-
 2 public, unless the Court, with the consent of the accused, shall ings to be
 3 otherwise order. public.

1 SECT. 17. Every Court constituted under the authority of this Lay
 2 Canon may be attended by one or more Lay Assessors, who shall Assessors.
 3 be appointed by the Court. They shall be communicants of this
 4 Church, and they shall be of the profession of the law. Such
 5 Assessors may be present at all the proceedings of the Court; but
 6 they shall have no vote in any case whatever. It shall be their
 7 duty to give to the Court an opinion on any question, upon which

the Court, or any member thereof, or either party, shall desire such opinion. The Court may take the opinion of counsel learned in the law on any point they may desire.

SECT. 18. The Clergyman accused may challenge any member of Right of the Court for cause, and the challenge may be tried and decided by challenge. the Lay Assessor or Assessors. If there be no Lay Assessor, the Bishop shall appoint one or more triers, who shall have the qualifications of Lay Assessors.

CANON II.

OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN.

SECTION 1. No Clergyman of this Diocese shall be tried for any ecclesiastical offence until after inquiry and presentment by the Standing Committee, acting as a Diocesan Board of Inquiry. Trial must be preceded by inquiry and presentment.

SECT. 2. Such inquiry and presentment must be founded on Duplicate charges exhibited to the President of the Standing Committee: charges to be exhibited to the President of the Standing Committee. they must be in writing, in duplicate, and (except when the charge is for the offence of teaching doctrine contrary to that held by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States) signed by three male communicants of this Church of the same Parish with the accused Clergyman, or by five male communicants of this Church who are not of such Parish. But, when a Clergyman is charged with teaching doctrine contrary to that held by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, duplicate charges, signed by three Presbyters of this Church, residing in this Diocese, and not under suspension or degradation, must be exhibited to the President of the Standing Committee.

SECT. 3. When the duplicate charges shall be delivered to the The President of the Standing Committee, it shall be his duty to call a Standing meeting of said Committee as a Board of Inquiry, at some place within the Diocese, within thirty days. It shall also be his duty to give not less than twenty days' notice of the time and place of meeting to each member of the Board, to the signers of the charges, and to the accused, sending also to the accused one of the duplicate charges.

SECT. 4. If the Diocesan Board of Inquiry shall refuse to find a In case a presentment, the charges, together with a certificate of such refusal, presentment is not found. signed by the President, shall be preserved among the archives of the Standing Committee.

1 SECT. 5. When a presentment is determined upon, it shall be reduced to writing in such form of charges and specifications, as shall with a reasonable certainty give to the accused notice of the nature of the offence charged, and of the particular facts specified as constituting such offence, and signed by all the members of the Board who have agreed thereto. It shall be delivered to the Bishop who may at the time be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese. But if there be a vacancy in the Episcopate, and the Diocese shall not be under the charge of any Bishop, they shall transmit the same to some Bishop entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, who shall thereby be constituted the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese for the purposes of such presentment, and of all proceedings founded thereon.

The presentment to be delivered to the Bishop.

1 SECT. 6. The Diocesan Board of Inquiry, whenever it shall have determined upon a presentment, shall appoint a Church Advocate, who shall not have been a member of the Board, to conduct the case before the Court.

ment of a Church Advocate.

1 SECT. 7. If the Bishop who is the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese shall be related to the accused, the Standing Committee shall transmit the presentment to some other Bishop as if the Diocese were vacant, who shall thereby be constituted the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese for the purposes of that case.

If the Bishop be related to the accused, the presentment to be delivered to another Bishop.

1 SECT. 8. In the case of sickness or other temporary disability of the Bishop, he may delegate his authority under this Canon to any other Bishop who is a member of the House of Bishops.

In case of sickness, the Bishop may delegate his authority to another Bishop.

CANON III.

OF SENTENCES.

1 SECTION 1. The censures and sentences known in this Diocese for ecclesiastical offences are admonition, suspension, and deposition. Neither of these sentences shall be pronounced upon any Clergyman by any person other than the Bishop having jurisdiction. The accused shall have opportunity to show to the Bishop that the conviction is illegal or unwarranted. The Bishop shall pronounce such canonical sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same shall not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Court, and provided, further, that the Bishop

Sentences.



10 may, if he think proper, in a case of conviction, refer the record
11 back to the Court, with his objections in writing to the finding of
12 the Court; and the Court may thereupon, in its discretion, order a
13 new trial, or revise its findings and sentence.

1 SECT. 2. Whenever the penalty of suspension shall be inflicted Sentence of
2 on any Clergyman, the sentence shall specify on what terms or at suspension
3 what time the suspension shall cease. to specify
terms.

1 SECT. 3. Upon a sentence of deposition being pronounced upon Degrada-
2 any Clergyman, the connection between such Clergyman and his tion shall
3 Congregation or Parish and Diocese is *ipso facto* severed; and all sever
4 offices which he holds by virtue of his office shall wholly cease; clerical
5 and, in case of a sentence of suspension, the said offices shall not relations.
6 be exercised during the continuance of such sentence.

1 SECT. 4. Notice of the sentence of the degradation of a Clergy- Notice of
2 man shall be sent to the accused, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of degradation
3 every Diocese of this Church, and to every Clergyman and Parish to be sent.
4 in this Diocese.

CANON VII.

CANONS TO TAKE EFFECT.

1 All other Canons of this Diocese are hereby, and shall be held to Canons to
2 be, repealed. take effect.

APPENDIX B.

EXTRACT

FROM THE

Canon of the General Convention of 1853.

Of the mode of securing an accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time.

SECTION 1. As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every Minister of this Church, or, if the Parish be vacant, the Wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his Parish or Church, also the state and condition of the Sunday Schools in his Parish, also of the amount of the communion alms, the contributions for Missions, diocesan, domestic, and foreign, for parochial schools, for Church purposes in general, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every other Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in the Convention and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

I.


PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, AMESBURY.

The Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR, *Rector.*

JAMES WOOLFENDEN, CHRISTOPHER BASSETT, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 9; Adults, 1; Total, 10. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Present Number, 64. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 7. Sunday School Officers and Teachers, 8; Scholars, 80.



CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$20.00; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Pew Rents, \$472.00; Subscriptions, \$100.00; Sunday School, \$34.50; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$30.00; Total for objects within the Parish, \$656.50.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$8.75; Convention Fund, \$7.00; Christian or Theological Education, \$25.00; Sufferers in the South, \$100.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$140.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$22.50. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$1.50. *Foreign.* China, \$10.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$34.00.

Total of Contributions, \$831.25.

GRACE CHURCH, AMHERST.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, *Rector.*

GEORGE W. CLOAK, *Lay Reader.*

HORACE WARD, O. G. GOUGH, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 6; Adults, 2; Total, 8. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; Total Added, 9; Removed, 4; Total Lost, 4; Present Number, 72. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 7. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 10; Scholars, 56. Church: Value, \$35,000; Sittings, 420. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$13.15; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$2.490; Sunday School, \$126.45; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$100.00. Easter Festival, \$50.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$3,109.60.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Christian or Theological Education, \$90.00; St. John's Church, Northampton, \$25.00; Missions in Maine, from Sunday School, \$42.11; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$157.11.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$21.00. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$38.00; Home Missions to Colored People, \$13.00; Indian Commission, \$21.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$16.75. Total for Missionary Contributions, \$109.75.

Total of Contributions, \$3,376.46.

CHRIST CHURCH, ANDOVER.

The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D. D., *Rector.*

Baptisms: Infants, 9; Adults, 1; Total, 10. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 8; Received, 12; Total Added, 20; Died, 1; Removed, 6; Total Lost, 7; Present Number, 121. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 6. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 8; Scholars, 68. Church: Value, \$8,000; Sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$2,500. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$10,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$66.74. All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$402.22; Pew Rents, \$76.50; Subscriptions, \$1,010.75; Investments, \$520.00; Total, \$2,009.47. Sunday School: Easter and Christmas Festivals, Rewards and Instruction Books, \$49.00. Increase and Improvement of Church Property (\$27.00 from Sewing Class), \$390.38; Alms for Special Charities, \$8.00; Sunday School Contribution to Young Christian Soldier, \$7.00; Hymnals for Church and Sunday School, \$67.92; Gift to Librarian, \$8.50. Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,607.01.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$48.00; Convention Fund, \$15.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$17.00; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, Sunday School Offerings, \$5.00; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, Sunday School Offerings, \$3.50; Christian or Theological Education, Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$24.15; Sunday School Offering to Bishop Green, Associate Mission, \$5.00; Lenten Offering to a Destitute Clergyman, \$17.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$134.65.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30.00. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$17.30; Home Missions to Colored People, \$12.70; Indian Commission, Dakota League, Sunday School Offering to White Earth Mission, \$5.00; Do. to Santee Sioux Mission, \$5.00; Do. Salt Lake City Mission, \$5.00; Articles for Indian Missions, \$14.19; Total, \$29.19. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$21.24; Mexican Mission League, \$24.00; Centennial Year Collection for Domestic and Foreign Missionary Deficits, \$13.84; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$148.27.

Total of Contributions, \$2,889.93.

REMARKS.

I began my ministrations in this interesting Parish on the 18th day of April, 1875, being the third Sunday after Easter. I have administered the Holy Communion in public monthly and on the principal Festival days. The regular services have been held on the Lord's Day and on the Holy Days and Fasts of the Church, with a weekly service on Wednesday. During the winter I have also given a course of Evening Lectures on the Old Testament. The Baptisms recorded above include two at North Andover, where an attractive field for Mission work is presented.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ARLINGTON.

The Rev. DAVID GREENE HASKINS, *Rector.*

ALBERT GRIFFITHS, CHARLES S. CHILDS, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 6; Adults, 1; Total, 7. Confirmed, 8. Communicants, 51; Removed, 2; Present Number, 49. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 5; Scholars, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$222.77; Subscriptions, \$525.00; Other Sources, \$85.00; Total, \$832.77.

REMARKS.

The services of the Episcopal Church were begun in the Town Hall, Arlington, under the care of St. James' Church, North Cambridge, the Rev. T. S. Tyng, rector, by the Rev. David G. Haskins, residing in Cambridge, on the first Sunday in October, A. D. 1873. The names of about seventeen families, embracing sixty souls, were on the books of the parish of St. James as members resident in Arlington. As there was a good attendance from the start, and the offerings were enough to enable the society to dispense with the help of rent promised by St. James' Church, it organized as an independent mission, Oct. 17, 1875, and soon after the new Menotomy Hall was engaged and occupied as a place of worship. On the second day of January, 1876, the Bishop visited the parish and confirmed eight persons. There are now twelve persons more prepared to receive this rite. Finding there were more church people in the town than we had supposed, and there seeming to be a good prospect of building up a large parish, and the limits of the organization of the temporary mission requiring a renewal or extension from and after the first Wednesday in January, a parish was duly organized under the statutes on the evening of Jan. 19, 1876, as St. John's Church, Arlington, and the Rev. D. G. Haskins was chosen rector. The parish is now self-supporting, and has subscribed or collected about \$1,000 for the purchase of a lot of land for a church. About one hundred and forty souls are now included in it.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ASHFIELD.

The Rev. LEWIS GREEN, *Rector*.

MOSES COOK, ADDISON G. HALL, *Church Wardens*.

Communicants: Died, 1; Removed, 2; Total Lost, 3; Present Number, 27. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 2. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 3; Scholars, 17. Church: Value, \$2,000; Sitings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$50. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$2,550.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$10.25; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offering, \$168.78; Paid me by Parishioners, \$30.00; Donations, \$20.00; Other Sources, Ladies' Society, \$40.40; Total, \$259.18. In the "Current Expenses" is included \$13.40 for Tax on Rectory. Total for Objects within the Parish, \$269.43.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$2.00; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$12.57; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$1.60; Churchman Cot, St. Luke's Hospital, \$4.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$20.17.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$14.50. *Domestic*. Domestic Missions in general, \$2.50; Indian Commission, \$10.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$27.00.

Total of Contributions, \$316.60.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BEVERLY.

The Rev. WILLIAM GOODHUE WELLS, *Rector*.

JOHN DYSON LOVETT, CHARLES H. PRESTON, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; Adults, 4; Total, 15. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; Died, 1; Removed, 5; Total Lost, 6; Present Number, 55. Funerals, 4. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 5; Scholars, 45. Church: Value, \$6,000;ittings, 200. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$215.67. All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Total, \$1,231 96. Sunday School: Christmas Festival, \$36.25; Easter, \$15.00; Summer Festival, \$25 00. Baptismal Offering, applied to Hymnals for Altar, \$5.00; Relief of Poor, \$15.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,543.88.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$10 00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$10.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.00; Church at Northampton, \$5 00. *Domestic*. Home Missions to Colored People, Rev. J. R. Love, Savannah, \$15.00; Indian Commission, Clothing, etc., for St. Paul's School, Yankton, \$15.20; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$45.20.

Total of Contributions, \$1,599.08.

REMARKS.

We have little of special note to add to the items of our Report. One word as to the success of the Weekly Offerings. It may encourage others who are testing this plan of systematic giving as part of the worship due our Risen Lord, to state that, even during our financial depression, and with the very discouraging aspect of a manufacturing town in these days, the amount given has not diminished. On the contrary, there are signs of increase. We have strong faith that the Master will send His blessing upon every effort to restore this lost act of worship, which is surely the mind of His Church. Services have been held upon all days recognized by the Prayer Book, including daily service in Lent. We gratefully recognize the presence of our friends from the city during the summer, and acknowledge their interest in our work. Sowing the good seed as God gives the ability, we wait in hope, resting on His unfailing promise.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, BOSTON.

The Rev. CHARLES C. GRAFTON, *Rector*.

The Revs. ARTHUR C. A. HALL, JOSEPH W. HILL, and WALTER R. GARDNER, *Assistants*.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D., EDWARD N. PERKINS, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 62; Adults, 33; Total, 95. Confirmed, 63. Communicants: Admitted, 83; Received, 16; Total Added, 99; Died, 15; Removed, 15; Total Lost, 33; Present Number, 460. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 42. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 33; Scholars, 21. Choir School: Teachers, 2; Scholars, 14; Class for Young Men, 40. Class for Young Women, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$9,231.86; Investments, \$661.08; Total, \$9,892.94; Parochial School, \$917.97; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$39,694.14; Organ, \$300; St. Margaret's Home, \$1,139.80; Taxes on Land, \$696.65; Alms for the Poor and various other Parish Objects, \$3,065.61; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$55,707.11.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50; Convention Fund, \$40.00; Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society, \$131.83; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$162.80; Christian or Theological Education, \$132.00; Hospital Sunday, \$123.94; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$933.07.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$276; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$156.74; General Missions, \$286.73; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$719.47.

Total of Contributions, \$57,359.65.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, BOSTON (LOWER MILLS).

The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNETT, *Officiating Minister.*

HENRY M. SNELL, HENRY W. EMMONS, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 8; Total, 8. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 8; Received, 6; Total Added, 14; Died, 1; Removed, 7; Total Lost, 8; Present Number, 47. Funerals, 2. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 6; Scholars, 38. Church: City Assessors' Value, \$4,800; Sitings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$11.19; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$638.44; Other sources, \$59.72; Sunday School, \$14.72; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$754.11.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Christian or Theological Education, Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$6.73.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30.36. *Foreign* Foreign Missions in General, \$8.10; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$38.46.

Total of Contributions, \$799.80.

CHRIST CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, *Rector.*

JOHN FOX, ROBERT COPITHORN, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 27; Total, 27. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 18; Received, 9; Total Added, 27; Died, 4; Removed, 13; Total Lost, 17; Present Number, 140. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 19. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 25; Scholars, 158. Church: Value \$35,000; Sitings, 70. Value of Houses belonging to the Parish, \$24,000. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$59,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$317.65; Pew Rents, \$329.50; Rents of Houses, \$1,999.83; Other Sources, \$11.75; Sunday School, \$221.41; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,880.14.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15.00; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$5.00; Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society, \$5.00; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$3.00; Hospital Sunday, \$23.50; American Bible Society, \$10.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$61.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$21.30. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$12.00; Home Missions to Colored People, \$8.00; Indian Commission through Dakota League, \$6.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$10.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$57.30.

Total of Contributions, \$2,998.94.

REMARKS.

We are happy to be able to report an increase in the number of persons attending public worship and a growing interest in the preservation of this ancient church. The whole number who have received the laying on of hands in the last seven annual confirmations is one hundred and eight. The present number of communicants, one hundred and forty, is larger than that reported at any previous convention since 1847. The Literary Association has held regular meetings during the year, and is still engaged in the effort to raise funds for a new Sunday School building. The attempt to collect money for the purpose of repairing the church edifice has been postponed on account of the general depression in all business enterprises.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. A. H. VINTON, D. D., *Rector.*

The Rev. B. B. KILLIKELLY, *Assistant Minister.*

Baptisms: Infants, 44; Adults, 26; Total, 70. Confirmed, 52. Communicants: Admitted, 65; Received, 31; Total Added, 96; Died, 2; Removed, 12; Total Lost, 14; Present Number, 342. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 12. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 35; Scholars, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$1,500; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$15,000; Sunday School, \$300; Parochial Missions, including Mission Building, \$5,800; Other Parochial Objects, \$800; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$23,400.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$80.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$200; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$1,648; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$50.00; Christian or Theological Education, \$950; City Hospitals, \$417; Bible Society, \$615; Benevolent Associations, Feeble Churches, and other Objects, \$2,500; Young Men's Christian Association, \$100; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$6,560.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$625; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$900; Chapel of Good Shepherd, \$380; Total, \$1,905. *Domestic.* Home Missions to Colored People, \$300; Indian Commission, through the Dakota League, \$256; Indian School, \$2.9; Various Missionary Boxes by Women's Auxiliary Society, \$969; Total, \$7,794. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$1,700; Foreign Missionaries' Fund, by the Women's Auxiliary Society, \$314; Zenana Mission, \$400; Total, \$2,414; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$6,113.

Total of Contributions, \$36,073.

REMARKS.

The services of this church during the year have been, besides those of Sunday and the principal Festivals and Fasts; a daily morning service during Lent, together with an afternoon service and lecture on each Wednesday and Friday of Lent. From Advent to Passion Week a Rector's Bible Class was held on Tuesdays.

The interest and activity in laboring for the poor, which was noticed in my last report, has increased and borne admirable fruit. The mothers' meetings and sewing-school have been continued with enlarged success. The district visiting has been carried on by the committee of ladies. A Sunday School has been organized and religious services have been held in the mission-room by the Rev. Mr. Killikelly, the rector's assistant, under whose immediate supervision the whole work has been vigorously and wisely conducted; so that with his auxiliary corps of young men and of ladies of the parish, the enterprise has taken the substantial and distinct form of a mission, to be conducted as such hereafter with Mr. Killikelly at its head. As the fruits of his ministry thus far, forty-four candidates were presented for confirmation. A building is in process of erection for the mission, to be completed in about six weeks.

The Dorcas Society has prosecuted its unwearying labors, giving work through the winter to more than a hundred poor women, and the Missionary Committee Auxiliary to the Women's Missionary Society, in New York, has likewise done its quiet work with great effect.

CHAPEL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE JARVIS PRESCOTT, *Minister.*

Baptisms: Infants, 33; Adults, 6; Total, 39. Confirmed, 25. Communicants: Present Number, 209. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 28. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 32; Scholars, 240. Sewing School: Teachers, 17; Scholars, 137.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$533.47. All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$3,002.40; Offerings at the Offertory, \$1,305.76; Collections in Church, \$822.11; Subscriptions for support of Chapel, \$588.70; Donations for support of Chapel, \$470; Other sources, \$658.87; Sunday School, \$102; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$7,483.31.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Christian or Theological Education, \$240.77; For other Objects without the Parish, \$146.26; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$387.03.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.93. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$ 0.61; Indian

Commission, \$19.50. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$34.85; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$115.89.

Total of Contributions, \$7,986.28.

REMARKS.

Gifts sent to the Minister in charge of the Chapel of the "Good Shepherd" are always placed in the alms-basin, and thus our gifts for charitable objects are swollen far beyond our own powers. We would take this public way of thanking friends known and unknown of our work, for the liberality with which they have given towards relieving the necessities of God's poor in this Parish.

THE CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, BOSTON.

The Rev. PELHAM WILLIAMS, S. T. D., *Rector.*

RODERICK RICHARDSON, SAMUEL RICE, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 25; Adults, 12; Total, 37. Confirmed, 22. Communicants: Present Number, 194. Marriages, 18. Funerals, 20. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 14; Scholars, 70. Sewing School: Teachers, 15; Scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$30,000; Sitings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$7,000; Sitings, 150. Rectory Fund, \$1,125.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — For the Poor, \$717.83; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$7,035.89; Sunday School, \$40.00; Increase and Improvement of Church Property: for a Burial Lot for the Poor, \$63.62; Parish Debt, \$282.25; Christmas purposes, \$161.45; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$8,301.04.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$105; Convention Fund, \$35; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$32.50; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$14.14; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$507.70; Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$2.75; Christian or Theological Education, \$89; Hospitals, \$26.24; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$832.33.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$20.62; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$65.28. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$15.00; For the Jews, \$34.13. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$25.58; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$160.61.

Total of Contributions, \$9,293.98.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BOSTON HIGHLANDS.

The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, *Rector.*

The Rev. THOMAS J. MACKAY (Deacon), *Assistant.*

DAVID CONNERY, JAMES RHODES, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms; Infants, 55; Adults, 4; Total, 59. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Present number, about 175. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 45. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 26; Scholars, 200. Sewing School: Teachers, 11; Scholars, 73. Church Sitings, 530.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$21.54; Alms Chest, \$51.84; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$3,406.81; Sunday School Offerings from October, 1874, to October, 1875, besides Indian Scholarship, \$118.72; For Parish Work, \$92.88; For Christmas Festival, \$55.27; For Easter Flowers, \$22.68; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, Reports, etc., \$151.72; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$3,921.46.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50; Convention Fund, \$70.00; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$23.25; Children's Hospital, \$2.00; Offerings at Southern District Convocation, \$6.67; Roxbury Charitable Society, \$50.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$164.42.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.65. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$31.18; Indian Commission, Support of Scholarship by Sunday School, \$60.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$31.18; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$138.01.

Total of Contributions, \$4,223.89.

REMARKS.

The sittings in this church are free. The Employment Society has given work to thirty women during the winter.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, BOSTON HIGHLANDS.

The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, *Rector.*

WM. RAYMOND LEE, ATHERTON T. BROWN, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Adults, 2; Infants, 10; Total, 12. Confirmed, 19. Communicants (about), 250. Marriages, 6. Burials, 11. Sunday School: Teachers, 30; Scholars, 166; Total, 196.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Alms at Holy Communion, \$552.52; Foreign Missions, \$162.63; Domestic Missions, \$69.12; Diocesan Missions, \$71.45; Indian Missions, through Dakota League, \$216.40; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, \$72.51; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$42.44; For Episcopal Church in Dyersville, Iowa, \$70; American Bible Society, \$49.50; St. Luke's Hospital (by Table in the Fair), \$200; Parish Societies (Employment Society and "Helping Hand"), \$454.40; By the Sunday School, for various Objects, \$160; For Parish Societies, \$72.00; Special, Mrs. D. G. K., \$100; Pier Fund (for Sunday School Library), \$70.00; Christmas Decorations, \$110; Christmas Festival, \$75; Organ for Sunday School, from A. T. B., \$710; Guild of St. James's Parish, \$250; For Improvements in Chancel, by "Chancel Committee," \$142.48; Miscellaneous, \$195; For all Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$6,053.67.

Total, \$9,899.11.

REMARKS.

During the year the work of the Parish, through its various organizations, has been carried on with increased energy and interest. A Parish

Guild has been organized for the twofold purpose of drawing the men of the Parish into closer personal sympathy, and of combining their efforts upon such kinds of Church work as may enlist them. During the year the Meetings of the Guild have been held at the Rectory, with undiminished interest, and this Organization promises to extend its usefulness in the future.

• **ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BOSTON (CHARLESTOWN DISTRICT).**

The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D. D., *Rector*.

GEORGE N. FISHER, WILLIAM T. RAND, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 67; Adults, 14; Total, 81. Confirmed, 27. Communicants: Present Number, 325. Marriages, 22. Funerals, 44. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 24; Scholars, 210. Church and Land Value, \$40,000; Sittings, 495. Chapel and Land: Value, \$15,000. Dwelling House and Land: Value, \$4,000. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$59,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$314.66 All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, by Envelope, \$1,059.39; Pew Rents, \$2,409; Sunday School, \$57. Easter Flowers, \$33.35; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$3,873.40.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$140; Convention Fund, \$20.00; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25.00; Boston Hospitals, \$32.00 Jews, \$10.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$227.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$40.10. *Domestic*. Home Missions to Colored People, \$24.25; Indian Commission, \$24.05; Nashotah, \$20.01; Aroostook, \$23.30. *Foreign*. Foreign Missions in general, \$22.75; Total for Missionary Contributions \$154.45.

Total of Contributions, \$4,254.85.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, EAST BOSTON.

The Rev. JULIUS HENRY WATERBURY, *Rector*.

GEORGE H. PLUMMER, W. A. PARKER, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 48; Adults, 3; Total, 51. Confirmed, 22. Communicants: Present Number, 160. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 34. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 23; Scholars, 200. Church: Value, \$7,500 Sittings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$56.15 All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$1,154.42; Donations, \$766; Other Sources, \$72.75; Sunday School, \$200; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,219.22.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$31.50; Clergyman's League, \$31.36; St. Stephen's House, Boston, \$10.00; Church Home

for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$10.00; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$20 00; Christian or Theological Education, \$10.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$112 86.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$24.00; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5 00. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$19.75. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$3.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$51.75.

Total of Contributions. \$2,413.83.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (JAMAICA PLAIN), BOSTON.

FRANK W. REYNOLDS, THOMAS P. PROCTOR, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 22; Total, 22. Confirmed, 4. Communicants; Present Number, 157. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 8. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 17; Scholars, 128. Church: Value, \$11,200; Sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$1,800; Sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$35,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$577.22; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Pew Rents, \$2,376.74; Subscriptions, \$1,040 75; Other Sources, \$65.54; St. John's Chapel Fund, \$68.29; St. John's Sunday School, \$189.84; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$4,898 38.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$87.50; Convention Fund, \$25.00; Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society, \$5.00; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$42.00; American Bible Society, \$14.52; Evangelical Educational Society, \$50 04; Special for a Student, \$47.00; Hospital Sunday Fund, \$31.90; House of Good Samaritan, \$5.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$337 96.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$72.25; Subscriptions to Missionary Papers, \$4.85; Convocation Expenses, \$12.80. *Domestic.* Home Missions to Colored People, \$33.27; Dakota League, \$45.26. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$275 66; Church of Jesus, Mexico, \$147.87; To the Jews, \$10 32; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$602 28.

Total of Contributions, \$5,838.62.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH (BRIGHTON), BOSTON.

The Rev. THOMAS COLK, *Rector.*

THEODORE T. S. LAUDLEY, JOHN H. STURGIS, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 12; Adults, 1; Total, 13. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; Died, 3; Present Number, 65. Funerals, 10. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 6; Scholars, 25.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$745 42; Donations, \$127.21; Sunday School, \$15.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$887.63.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$8.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$8.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$18.65; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$18.65.

Total of Contributions, \$913.65.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. CHARLES HENRY BABCOCK, *Rector.*

J. H. HATHORNE, GEORGE T. STODDARD, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 10; Adults, 6; Total, 16. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Present Number, about 225. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 5. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 80; Scholars, 220. Church: Sittings, 720.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$100; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$76.84. Total for Missionary Contributions, 176.84.

Total of Contributions, \$176.04.

FREE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, FOR SAILORS, BOSTON.

The Rev. JOSHUA R. PEIRCE, *Rector.*

JAMES W. EARL, ROBERT L. THOMAS, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 6. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 1; Received, 2; Total Added, 3; Removed, 2; Present Number, about 80. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 5. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 5; Scholars, about 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$523.14; Christmas and Easter Decorations, \$40; Sunday School Offertory, \$16; For the Poor, \$30; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, Church Repairs, \$42; Proceeds of Fair by the Ladies' Aid Society for the Benefit of the Church, \$212; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$868.14.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$6.00; Hospital Sunday, \$10.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$16.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.25. *Domestic*, \$5.25. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$5.25; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$15.75.

Total of Contributions, \$899.89.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. W. W. SILVESTER, *Rector.*

JOHN P. CLAPP, DANIEL B. STEDMAN, Jr., *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 16; Adults, 2; Total, 18. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; Received, 5; Total Added, 16; Died, 2; Removed, 3; Total Lost, 5; Present Number, 219. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 6. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 25; Scholars, 150.



CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$348.67; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$5,150.65; Sunday School, \$219; To the Needy, through Ladies' Society, \$122; Parochial Missions, \$33.00; Amount from Ladies' Sale, etc., towards diminishing Debt, \$610; Gift of Land by one Member of the Parish for Chapel, valued \$4,000; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$10,485.32.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$20.00; Christian or Theological Education, \$17.50; Hospitals, \$38.86; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$76.36.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$57.37. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$21.32; Indian Commission, \$65.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, Woman's Auxiliary Society, \$10.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$240.01.

Total of Contributions, \$10,731.69.

REMARKS.

Since the first of February a mission service has been held by the Rector every Sunday evening on Dudley Street, near Cottage. The success of these services has been far beyond expectation. A lot of land has been given on which to erect a chapel by a generous lady of St. Mary's Parish: and some money has been contributed towards the building by persons interested in this work.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, *Rector.*

DAVID CLAPP, HENRY W. NELSON, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 109; Adults, 14; Total, 123. Confirmed, 60. Communicants: Admitted, 60; Received, 10; Total Added, 70; Died, 5; Removed, 35; Total Lost, 40; Present Number, 300. Marriages, 18; Funerals, 87. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 60; Scholars, 300. Church: Value, \$35,000; Sitzings, 650. Chapel: Sitzings, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$318.57. Offerings at the Offertory, \$1,086.18; Pew Rents, \$2,483.05; Donations, \$44.00; Other Sources, \$50.00; Sunday School, 222.63; Donations for the Poor, \$160; Parish Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$34.00; Distribution of Church Literature, \$81.00; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$49.00; Children's Aid Society, \$25.00; Ladies' Aid Society for various charities, \$415; By the Sunday School to the Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, 50.00; Mrs. Charlotte Whipple's Legacy to the Church Home, \$500; By the Helping Hand Society for a New Sunday School Building, \$358.19; Donations for the New Sunday School Building, \$94.00; Offerings and Gifts for St. Matthew's Chapel, \$252.50; Offerings and Gifts by the Congregation of St. Matthew's Chapel, \$301.89; St. Matthew's Musical and Literary Society, \$405.47; Parish Directory, \$20.00; For Easter Decorations, \$35.00; For Miscellaneous Objects within the Parish, \$37.88; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$7,004.36.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$70.00; Convention Fund, \$30.00; Bible Society, \$51.00; Two offerings for Grace Chapel, at Washington Village, \$45.00; To St. Thomas' Church, New Orleans, La., \$16.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$212.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* To Missionaries within the Diocese, \$50.00. *Domestic.* Home Missions to Colored People, \$35.00; Indian Commission, \$45.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in General, \$43.25; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$173.25.

Total of Contributions, \$7,389.61.

REMARKS.

St. Matthew's Chapel, at City Point, was organized nine months ago, and has now a flourishing Sunday School and a Sunday Evening Service, under the direction of Mr. R. Kidner, a lay reader and theological student. The Holy Communion Vessels, Bible and Service Books used at the Chapel, were all the generous gifts of liberal-minded persons in St. Matthew's Church. The funerals, baptisms, and other church rites have been numerous during the past year, and these, with the pastoral care of fully six hundred families, have rendered the duties very laborious, and make it evident that one of the greatest needs of the parish is an assistant minister.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. TREADWELL WALDEN, *late Rector.*

JOHN T. ROSE, *Lay Reader.*

ROBERT M. MASON, J. BAXTER UPHAM, M. D., *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 6; Adults, 1; Total, 7. Confirmed, 30. Communicants: Present Number, about 350. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 5. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 19; Scholars, 125.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion and other Contributions to the Poor, \$1,511.92; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Pew Rents, \$11,472.91; Donations, \$500; Investments, \$640; Other Sources, \$3,014.90; Total, \$15,627.81; Miscellaneous, \$1,699.66; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$18,239.39.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$210; Convention Fund, \$60.00; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$473.33; American Bible Society, \$389; Hospital Sunday, \$325.47; Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$204.19; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$1,661.99.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$155.02; Diocesan Board of Missions, 316.70. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$975; Home Missions to Colored People, \$64.09. *Foreign.* Zenana Mission, \$600; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$2,110.81.

Total of Contributions, \$22,012.19.

REMARKS.

I resigned the charge of this Parish on May 1, 1876.

EPISCOPAL CITY MISSION, BOSTON.

The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, *City Missionary*.

Baptisms: Infants, 18; Adults, 1; Total, 14. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Admitted, 18; Died and Removed, 11; Present Number, 67. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 2. Officers and Teachers, 20; Scholars, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$12,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, \$251; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$251.

Total of Contributions, \$251.

REMARKS.

I have had the charge of the Episcopal City Mission, Boston, since Dec. 22, 1875. During that period of time (five months) regular Sunday and week day services have been held at two central points, viz. at Grace Chapel, Washington Village, and at St. Stephen's Chapel and the Mission House, both on Tyler Street, Boston, and within a block of each other. I have had the assistance of a clergyman every Sunday, — Rev. W. C. Winslow most of the time; the greater part of the week-day and other work I did myself. One hundred and thirty-four public services have been held, *i. e.* at St. Stephen's and the Mission House seventy, and sixty-four at Grace Chapel. At each place the Holy Communion has been administered monthly and on all the great festivals. We have been fortunate in securing the services of the Reverend, the Precentor of the Diocese, who spent twelve nights with us in each place — one each week for twelve weeks — to train our choirs. The improvement in the musical part of the service is a very marked feature. By God's blessing upon us we are looking for much prosperity during the next conventional year.

N. B. — This report covers only the last five months, during which time I had charge of the mission.

TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, *Rector*.The Rev. CHARLES H. BABCOCK, *Assistant*.CHARLES HENRY PARKER, CHARLES R. CODMAN, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 49; Adults, 10; Total, 59. Confirmed, 35. Communicants: Present Number, about 600; Marriages, 19. Funerals, 29. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 36; Scholars, 366; Bible Classes, 3. Sewing School: Average Attendance, 87.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$3,-063.76; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Pew Rents, \$13,152.50; Other Sources, \$4,205.17. Memorial Window to Bishop Eastburn in the new Church, \$1,324; Parish Charitable Societies, \$3,654.39; Contributions of the Sunday School, \$378.62. Total for Objects within the Parish, \$27,798.44.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$5.00; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$2,260; Christian or

Theological Education, \$1,000; American Bible Society, \$1,104; Hospital Sunday Collection, \$3,725; Miscellaneous, \$1,320.10; Church in Italy, \$390. Total for Objects without the Parish, \$9,794.10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—*Within the Diocese.* Episcopal City (Baton) Mission, \$841.45; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,250.25. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$2,541; Home Missions to Colored People, \$200; Indian Commission, \$1,323.20. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$3,100; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$9,255.90.

Total of Contributions, \$46,847.54.

REMARKS.

The new church building has advanced rapidly during the year and now confidently hope to occupy it by next Christmas. For our Sunday Services we have continued to occupy Huntington Hall, in the building of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

TRINITY CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER, MASS.

The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, *Rector.*

Baptisms: Infants, 6. Communicants: Died, 1; Removed, 2; Total, 3; Present Number, 54. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 7. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 9; Scholars, 62. Sewing School: Teachers, 24; Scholars, 134. Evening School: Teachers, 2; Scholars, 38.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$45.10. All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Office, \$62.24; Collections in Church, Coal, \$36.55; Subscriptions, \$41.00; Donations (A Friend), \$20.00; Other Sources, Income Church Fund, \$20.00; Entertainments, \$141; Christmas Tree, \$25.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,000.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30.68; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$30.68.

Total of Contributions, \$1,031.43.

REMARKS.

During the year 1875-'76 there has been a separation of the Brockton Mission into a separate mission, which has affected the number of communicants of Bridgewater. During the year a parochial sewing school reaching in its attendance to one hundred and thirty-four pupils, has been conducted by the rector's wife as superintendent, with an efficient body of teachers, about twenty-four in number, who to their credit were not dismayed by weather or more serious obstacles. A free evening school about forty in its largest attendance has been held during a portion of the winter by the rector and a skilful teacher.

MISSION AT BROCKTON.

The Rev. THOMAS G. CARVER, D. D., *Missionary.*

ALEXANDER F. BURDON, *Church Warden.*

Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Died, 1; Present Number, 27. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 5; Scholars, 20. Church Sitzings, 200.



CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$795; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary (Rector's Salary, \$1,200): Offerings at the Offertory, \$128.02; Donations, Antiquarian Supper, \$43.00; Rent of Hall, \$300; Parish Library, \$5.00; For Chapel Fund (from Fair), \$300; A. F. Burdon, Subscription for Chapel, \$150; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,921.02.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$7.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$7.00.

Total of Contributions, \$2,928.02.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKLINE.

The. Rev. LEONARD KIP STORRS, *Rector.*

JAS. S. AMORY, HENRY S. CHASE, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 13; Adults, 1. Total, 14. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Admitted, 13; Died, 2; Present number, 180. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 3. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 14; Scholars, 90.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$745.52; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$7,178.59; Reading Room, \$78.93; Miscellaneous, \$218.12; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$8,261.16.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$150; Convention Fund, \$32.00; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$275; Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$20.00; Christian or Theological Education, \$81.16; American Bible Society, \$150.51; Easter Offering of Children of Sunday School, \$250; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$988.67.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$161.13. *Domestic:* Domestic Missions in general, \$85.09. *Foreign:* Foreign Missions in general, \$219.14. Total for Missionary Contributions, \$465.36.

Total of Contributions, \$9,685.19.

MISSION CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, EAST CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. WILLIAM WARLAND, *Missionary.*

Baptisms: Infants, 16; Adults, 7; Total, 23. Confirmed, 26. Communicants: Admitted, 26; Received, 48; Total Added, 74; Died, 8; Removed, 5; Total Lost, 8; Present Number, 66. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 9. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 17; Scholars, 116.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$276.38; Collections in Church, \$56.33; Donations, \$218.12; Sunday School, \$37.88. Total for Objects within the Parish, \$588.71.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25.00. *Domestic:* Domestic Missions in general, \$5.00. *Foreign:* Foreign Missions in general, \$5.00. Total for Missionary Contributions, \$35.00.

Total of Contributions, \$622.71.

REMARKS.

Several years had passed away since the last unsuccessful effort was made to establish the Episcopal Church in East Cambridge. A year ago, the present incumbent visited the locality, and after a careful survey of the field was convinced that the time had come to make another effort to revive the work. The Unitarian place of worship was secured, and services, according to the Ritual of the Church, commenced on Whitsunday last, May 16, and they have been kept up with increasing interest and gratifying results to the present time. The congregation is composed of workmen and women who are attached to the Church, and contribute according to their means to its support. We have a superior unpaid choir and organist, and a number of devoted Sunday School teachers. Our grateful acknowledgments are due to kind friends for pecuniary aid, and for donations of a surplice, communion service, altar linen, baptismal and alms basins, Bibles, and Prayer Books. God has blessed us during the past, and we have great cause to thank Him and take courage.

CHRIST CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. WILLIAM CHAUNCY LANGDON, D D, *Rector*.

SAMUEL BATCHELDER, JR., JOHN GARDNER WHITE, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 24; Adults, 1; Total, 25. Confirmed, 20. Communicants: Present number, 170. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 20. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 30; Scholars 140. Church: Value, \$30,000; Sitings, 450. Chapel: Value, \$2,500; Sitings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$7,500; Ministerial Fund, \$11,779.18. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$71,779.18.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current Expenses, \$3,776.49; Sunday School, \$164.21; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$18.71; Care of the poor, 175 61; Reduction of the Parish Debt, \$282 07; Testimonial to Organist, \$166.12; Furnishing Rectory \$1,317.87. Total for Objects within the Parish, \$5,896.08.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$90.00; Convention Fund, \$5.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$18.71; Nebraska Divinity School, \$23.32; Society for the Increase of the Ministry, \$188.50; Mission of the Ascension, East Cambridge, \$72.00; Mission at Fort Fairfield and Presque Isle, Maine, \$112; Miscellaneous Objects, \$490. Total for Objects without the Parish, \$1,001.53.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$77.74.

Total of Contributions, \$6,975.35.

REMARKS.

The accompanying statistics furnish but a partial statement of the Church strength of the *parish*, whether in respect to the number of communicants or otherwise, since they have reference only to the congregation worshipping at Christ Church and looking to the Rector for pastoral ministrations, and are exclusive of those members of the parish who habitually attend the services held at the Chapel of the Cambridge Episcopal Theological School.

The number of communicants, moreover, is here reported as *now* found on the Rector's List, without reference to changes, whether by way of loss or increase (and there have been both) during the past year. The clerical ministrations here reported have been largely those for which the parishioners are indebted to the kind attentions of the late Rector, during the prolonged vacancy in the Rectorship.

The present Rector, since the first of January last, when he entered upon his charge, has read service *seventy* times, preached *seventy* times, administered the Holy Communion *eight* times, baptized *one* adult and *four* infants, officiated at *two* funerals, and presented to the Bishop *twenty* persons to be confirmed.

But little has been attempted as yet towards the organization or development of parish work. A Committee of ladies for the systematic visitation and care of the poor: and the enlargement of the Sunday School upon a system which includes the regular afternoon Church service as that of the younger portion of the flock, and the regular personal instruction of the Rector, — these represent all that has, thus far, been aimed at in this direction.

FREE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. THEODOSIUS STEVENS TYNG, *Rector*.

JAMES M. BARKER, DANIEL McNAMARA, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16; Adults, 2; Total, 18. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 17; Received, 17; Total Added, 34; Died, 1; Removed, Withdrawn, or Transferred, 24; Total Lost, 25; Present Number, 96. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 2. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 13; Scholars, 96. Church: Value about \$15,000; Sittings, 275. Chapel (unfinished): Value, \$2,100; Sittings, to number 100; Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish \$17,100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion and Lenten Services, \$87.18; Collections in Church, \$1,526.94; Other Sources, \$73.57; Sunday School, \$76.55; Parochial Missions, towards building a Mission Chapel in West Somerville, \$398.65; Services in Arlington, \$10.34; Semi-monthly Parish Paper, \$444.90; Sunday School Festivals, etc., about \$125; Church Hymnals, \$22.00; Expenses of Parochial "Mission," \$19.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,784.13.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, interest on note, \$28.00; Convention Fund, \$5.00; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$24.70; Episcopal Clerical Fund (For the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$7.70; Theological Education, \$15.00; For a Clergyman's Widow, \$65.00; Total for objects without the Parish, \$145.40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19.30. *Domestic*. Domestic Missions in general (of which from Mite Chests \$17.60), \$21.65; Home Missions to Colored People, \$7.90; Indian Commission, \$12.25. *Foreign*. Foreign Missions in general, \$20.00; For China and Japan, \$17.65; For Africa, \$9.70; For Mexico, 10.05; Sunday School, for Scholarship in Bridgman School, Shanghai, \$40.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$158.50.

Total of Contributions, \$3,088.13.

REMARKS.

Our work the past year has gone on quite steadily. Early in October, services were begun at my request, by the Rev. Mr. Haskins, in Arlington, which had been practically a part of our parish. The Congregation there gathered has since been organized, first into a mission and then into a parish, under the name of St. John's, Arlington. Ten of the Communicants marked as "lost" were transferred to this new parish. A mission chapel has also been begun in West Somerville, and we hope soon to finish it without debt. The greater part of the money contributed for this purpose has come from persons outside of our own parish and from other parishes. The total amount so far received from all sources is \$2,097.45. No report can be made of services in this mission, for it is impossible to get a place in which to hold them until the chapel is completed.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. EDWARD MANNING GUSHEE, *Rector*.

EDWARD R. COGSWELL, WILLIAM W. DALLINGER, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 23; Adults, 1; Total, 24. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 15; Received, 12; Total Added, 27; Died, 4; Removed, 9; Total Lost, 13; Present Number, 253. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 17. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 27; Scholars, 165; Total, 192.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion and Alms Chest, not otherwise reported, \$73.73; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: \$3,730.86; By the Sunday School towards Expense of Choir Stalls, \$108.38; Industrial Donations, \$21.00; For Rector's Study in Church, \$40.60; For changing Position of Organ, \$41.16; Festival Decorations, not otherwise reported, \$15.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$4,030.73.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.00. *Domestic*. Domestic Missions in general, \$47.37; Domestic Missions per Women's Auxiliary, \$73.77; Domestic Missions, a part belonging to 1875, \$83.69; Indian Missions, a part belonging to 1875, \$21.25; Dakota League, \$28.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$259.08.

Total of Contributions, \$4,289.81.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CHELSEA.

The Rev. JOHN THOMPSON BURRILL, *Officiating Clergyman*.

WILLIAM R. PEARMAIN, WILLIAM B. WHITING, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 18; Adults, 2; Total, 20. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 7; Received, 8; Total Added, 15; Died, 3; Removed, 8; Total Lost, 11; Present Number, 164. Marriages, 15. Funerals, 29. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 18; Scholars, 110. Church: Value, \$15,000; Sittings, 300. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$15,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$186.76; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offer-

tory, \$190 10; Collections in Church, \$28.69; Pew Rents, \$1,089 67; Subscriptions, \$95 37; Donations, \$125.32; Investments, \$105.77; Sunday School, \$77.67; Other Parochial Objects, \$86.91; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,986 26.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$42 00; Convention Fund, \$24 00; American Bible Society, \$13.18; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$79.18.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$31.50; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$31.50.

Total of Contributions, \$2,096.94.

REMARKS.

Beyond the amount of contributions reported above, \$300.71 has been collected during the past year by the Ladies' Social Circle for the poor, a considerable part of which has been distributed. They have also, with commendable zeal, established a sewing school for the benefit of poor children, which promises to become very useful. Including the amount thus raised, the total contributions of the parish are \$2,397.65.

MISSION OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, CLINTON.

The Rev. JOHN W. BIRCHMORE, *Missionary.*

Baptisms: Infants, 19; Adults, 3; Total, 22. Families, 51: Single persons, 8. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 19; Received, 4; Total Added, 23; Died, 1; Removed, 2; Total Lost, 3; Present Number, 63. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 6. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 8; Scholars, 60.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$750; Sunday School, \$9.32; Parish Library, \$22.80; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$782.12.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society, \$4.32; Female Prayer Book Society, Philadelphia, \$4.32; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$8.64.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$31.63; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$31.63.

Total of Contributions, \$822.39.

REMARKS.

This Mission has been going on for two years. During the first year an excellent hall was provided for worship, but for a year past a court room has been used, — without rent. Much effort has been made by a gentleman of the congregation to arouse interest in music, and the singing is good. A reed organ is used and has been played by an accomplished young lady. The Mission possesses a handsome silver communion service valued at \$250, the gift of a church-woman in New York. A subscription of \$600 was made in Clinton eighteen months ago, and last summer a lady of Boston who resides three miles from Clinton in the summer, sent an unsolicited subscription of \$500. This is all that has been raised, as yet, for a church. During the course of the summer of 1876 some prop-

erty belonging to the Bigelow Library Association, of Clinton, came into market, and was bought by two gentlemen for the benefit of the "Episcopal Society." Enough of the shares were given by various members of the Association (persons not identified, for the most part, with our church work) to bring the cost of the vacant land, the part wanted, down to a nominal sum. There are 12,000 feet, fronting the Common, one of the best situations in the town. Mr. Esty, the well-known architect, has very generously *given* the plans for a church to seat 300.

The congregation in the morning varies between 80 and 100. In the evening it is about one third. Many outside are waiting for a church to be built, it is reported. The Sunday School Library numbers 215 volumes.

CALVARY CHURCH, DANVERS.

The Rev. WILLIAM INGRAM MAGILL, *Rector*.

JOHN S. PRATT, BENJAMIN R. TIBBETTS, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; Died, 8; Removed, 1; Total Lost, 4; Present Number, 74. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 10. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 18; Scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$10,000; Sitings, 275. Parsonage Lot: Value, \$600. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$10,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$15 00. All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$538.41; Investments (Interest), \$155.10; Other Sources, \$210.50; Sunday School, \$47.16; Special Charities, \$25.30; Christmas Tree, 19.92; S. S. Picnic, \$43.00. Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,054.39.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, 7.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$7.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$18.75; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$18.75.

Total of Contributions, \$1,080.14.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, DEDHAM.

The Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16; Adults, 9; Total, 25. Confirmed, 33. Communicants: Admitted, 33; Received, 12; Total Added, 45; Died, 3; Removed, 4; Total Lost, 7; Present Number, 193. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 12. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 18; Scholars, 103. Mission Sunday School: Teachers, 11; Scholars, 107. Total of both Schools, 239. Church: Value, \$30,000; Sitings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$6,000; Sitings, 160.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$110.16; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$684.99; Collections in Church, \$93.22; Pew Rents, \$1,955.62; Subscriptions, \$40.00; Investments, \$700; Parochial Missions (Oakdale Mission), \$1,493.75; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$245.05;

Other Parochial Objects, \$165.77; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$5,488.56.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund (for relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese). \$27.00; Christian or Theological Education, \$43.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$70.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions. \$136.60. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$171.84. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$115.90; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$424.34.

Total of Contributions, \$5,982.90.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, EASTHAMPTON.

The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, *Rector.*

Baptisms: Infants, 3; Adults, 1; Total, 4. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; Removed, 3; Present Number, 50. Funerals, 1. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 5; Scholars, 40; Total, 45.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Collections in Church, \$144; Subscriptions, \$372.78; Sunday School, \$31.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$547.78.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$16.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$16.00.

Total of Contributions, \$563.78.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, FALL RIVER.

[*No Report.*]

GRACE CHURCH, FISKDALE.

The Rev. LEVI BOYER, *Rector.*

JAMES BATES, Sen., ALFRED HALL, Jr., *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 4; Adults, 1; Total, 5. Communicants: Present Number, 10. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 6; Scholars, 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Offerings at the Offertory, \$47.70; Subscriptions, \$1,034.12; Other Sources, \$102.28. Sunday School, \$55.54; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,239.64.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$20.00; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$6.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$5.00; Christian or Theological Education, \$5.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$36.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese:* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$9.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$9.00.

Total of Contributions, \$1,284.64.

CHRIST CHURCH, FITCHBURG.

The Rev. THOMAS LOGAN MURPHY, *Rector.*

DENNIS FAY, WILLIAM WALLACE BAILEY, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 18; Adults, 9; Total, 27. Confirmed, 19. Communicants: Admitted, 18; Received, 15; Total Added, 33; Died, 5; moved, 4; Total Lost, 9; Present Number, 182. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 15. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 21; Scholars, 123; Total, Church: Value, \$16,000; Sittings, 500. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$49,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$104.00; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$3,012.20; Sunday School Excursion and Music, \$200; Christmas Tree, \$100; Contributed for Books for Sunday School, \$52.05; Contributed by the School for Papers, Books, \$54.04; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$144.00; Other Parochial Objects, \$25.00; By the Ladies of the Parish, Easter \$180; Towards furnishing the room for Chapel purposes, \$336.00; By one lady of the Parish towards the same object, \$125; Gift of Lectern, \$25.00; Miscellaneous, \$50.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$4,404.57.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$56.00; Congregational Fund, \$20.00; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$7.10; Episcopal Clerical Fund for the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese, \$12.05; Christian or Theological Education, \$15.00; For other Objects without the Parish, \$22.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$133.15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$83.79. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions, \$16.13; Domestic Missions from Sunday School, \$40.13; Value of Box of Clothing sent, \$10.00; Box sent to Niobrara, \$98.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions, \$7.11; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$495.16.

Total of Contributions, \$5,031.88.

REMARKS.

This report is from the Easter preceding. Through the kindness of the Crocker family a very pleasant room has been placed at the disposal of the Parish, free of charge, which is used for our weekly services. The ladies of the parish purchased the organ and seats. The lectern was a gift of an individual. The rest of the furniture, including an altar-cloth covered with crimson cloth and monogram, together with books, were the gifts of Mrs. Crocker. The services, in our comfortable and pleasant quarters, have been very well attended. Four services per week have been held during Lent, and daily during Passion Week; also on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Holy Days until Easter-tide. In the increased attendance and number confirmed, the work has been very encouraged. What is most needed in this parish is a more earnest co-operation on the part of a few, and a spirit to build up rather than retard the progress and prosperity of the church.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FRAMINGHAM.

The Rev. FRANCIS CHASE, *Rector*.JAMES W. BROWN, M. D., ALEXANDER R. ESTY, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; Adults, 3; Total, 8. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 4; Received, 6; Total Added, 10; Removed, 3; Present Number, 70. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 5; Scholars, 24. Church: Sitzings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Weekly Offertory, \$775.74; Subscriptions, \$272; Sunday School, \$9.25; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,056.99.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$8.00; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$7.50; For Cot in St. Luke's Hospital, New York, \$7.50; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$23.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25 81. *Domestic*. Domestic Missions in general, \$16 00; Indian Commission, \$12.38; Box through Dakota League, \$12.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$66.19.

Total of Contributions, \$1,146.18.

REMARKS.

The present rector entered upon his duties on the first of July, 1875, the church having been without a rector since the previous autumn. Services had been regularly held, though the Sunday School had been dropped. During the past year the interest has been good, and the attendance at church very fair. The presence of many of the young ladies from the Normal School is gladly welcomed.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, GLOUCESTER.

The Rev. JAMES D. REID, *Rector*.J. H. STACEY, WILLIAM BABSON, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 25; Adults, 1; Total, 26. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Present Number, 75. Marriages, 14. Funerals, 9. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 6; Scholars, 48.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$235; Subscriptions, \$196; Other Sources, Proceeds of Fair, \$360.61; Christmas Green and Easter Flowers, \$21.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$812.61.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$1.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$1.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19.45; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$19.45.

Total of Contributions, \$833.06.

SAINT JAMES' CHURCH, GREAT BARRINGTON.

The Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON, *Rector*.

M. LUDLOW WHITLOCK, WM. H. PARKER, M.D., *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 6. Funerals, 7. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 10; Scholars, 80; Total, 90.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$109.42; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Collections in Church, \$302 25; Pew Rents, 1,280.33; Other Sources, \$352.58. Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,044 58.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund and Convention Fund, 78.00; Scholarship St. Mark's School, Salt Lake City, \$40.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$118.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.00; Domestic Missions in general, \$53.94; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$64.94.

Total of Contributions, \$2,227.52.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, GREENFIELD.

The Rev. SAMUEL HOLLINGSWORTH, S. T. D., *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; Adults, 1; Total, 8. Communicants, Present Number, 123. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 6. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 15; Scholars, 139. Church: Value, \$18,000; Sitings, 350. Chapel: Value, \$3,000; Sitings, 125. Parsonage: Value, \$8,000. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$29,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion (amount expended in parochial purposes only), \$40.59; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$1,728.54; Offerings at the weekly Offertory, since August, \$178.54; Pew Rents, \$1,550.00; Sunday School, \$62.31; Altar Linen, Surplice and Carpeting of Rectory, \$146.00; Easter Offerings and Pledges for Church Debt, \$3,034.85; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$5,032.29.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$20.00; Convention Fund, \$12.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$15.45; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$47.45.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$37.55. Domestic Missions in general, \$18.00; Home Missions to Colored People, \$10.50; Indian Commission, \$14.22; Sunday School for Bishop Whitaker, \$50.00; Sunday School Mite Chests, \$35 61. *Foreign*. Foreign Missions in general, \$11.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$176.88.

Total of Contributions, \$5,256.62.

REMARKS.

The Rector's thanks are due to the Ladies' Aid Society for their cordial and generous co-operation in many good works. Since Easter, 1875, that society has raised \$700. Half of this amount has been appropriated to the reduction of the Church Debt, the remainder has been spent in carpeting the Rectory, the purchase of Church Linen, and in repairs and improvements. The ladies have also forwarded (through Dakota League) a valuable box of clothing to Rev. J. J. Emmegahbowh.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, HANOVER.

The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D. D., *Officiating*.

LEMUEL CUSHING WATERMAN, WARREN WRIGHT, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Adults, 3; Total, 3. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 5; Died, 2: Present Number, 70. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 4. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 9; Scholars, 56. Church: Value, \$6,000; Seatings, 500. Parsonage: Value, \$4,600. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$12,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$155.63; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Subscriptions, \$1,539; Investments, \$118; Sunday School (\$14.28 contributed by the Sunday School), \$31.81; Parish Library, \$21.62; Improvement of Church Property, \$246; Christmas Festival of the Sunday School, \$62.50; Religious Publications, \$21.34; Other Parochial Objects, \$120.55; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,318.45.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$28.00; Convention Fund, \$12.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$25.15; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston (Contributed by the Sunday School), \$5.00; Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$10.00; American Bible Society, \$38.22; Relief of Poor without the Parish, etc., \$88.00; Seventy-six Articles contributed by the Parish Sewing Circle for the Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, the Bureau of Relief, Hartford, and the Dakota League, of Massachusetts, value, \$60.75; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$217.12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$39.45; Southern Convocation, \$17.23. *Domestic*. Domestic Missions in general, \$10.00; Home Missions to Colored People (contributed by the Sunday School), \$5.00; Indian Commission (Dakota League, of Massachusetts, \$15.00. *Foreign*. Foreign Missions in general (contributed by the Sunday School), \$5.00; Massachusetts Branch Women's Auxiliary for Foreign Missions, \$10.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$101.68.

Total of Contributions, \$2,637.25.

REMARKS.

Of the foregoing contributions in money \$75.55 were received through the zealous and useful labors of the parish sewing circle.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 18; Adults, 7; Total, 25. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 8; Received, 7; Present Number, 15. Funerals, 8. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 2; Scholars, 32. Church: Value, \$5,000;ittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, October 21 to May 16, \$252.78; Other Sources. Alms Chest, \$7.57; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$5,000; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$5,260.35.

Total of Contributions, \$5,260.35.

REMARKS.

This church was presented for consecration on the twenty-first of last October, since which time divine service has been celebrated three times every Lord's day and daily during the Lenten season, and the Holy Communion celebrated on all Sundays and other holy days. The congregation is made up almost entirely of people whose previous religious training has been outside the church. All the sittings in the church and all ministrations are free. Offerings are received for incidental expenses and for charitable work. It is hoped we may report the permanent establishment of a Sister House in our next Parochial Report.

TRINITY CHURCH, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES ARTHUR RAND, *Rector*.EDWARD F. ADAMS, GEORGE G. DAVIS, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; Adults, 2; Total, 11. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Admitted, 9; Received, 8; Total Added, 17. Died, 1; Removed, 11; Total Lost, 12; Present Number, 193. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 7. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 19; Scholars, 131. Church: Value, including a Chime of Bells, \$12,750;ittings, about 450.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$5.73; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$1,780.83; Donations (from Ladies' Sewing Circle), \$77.00; Other Sources, \$82.00. Sunday School, \$151.66. Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$183.36; For the Poor, \$6.08; For Payment of Debt, \$350.50; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,949.15.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$21.00; Convention Fund, \$15.00; Christian or Theological Education, viz. Society for Increase of Ministry, \$12.11; American Bible Society, \$4.46; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$52.56.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$23.35. *Domestic*. Domestic Missions in general, \$18.00; Home

Missions to Colored People, \$6.50; Indian Commission, \$10.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$10.25; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$68.10.

Total of Contributions, \$3,069.81.

REMARKS.

This church is supported by the Offertory, hence Communion-Alms are taken only once or twice a year. Since the last meeting of Convention the Rev. Charles Wingate—late Rector of Trinity Church, Melrose—has begun mission work in a part of the city where such work is much needed, and in September last the chapel built at Mr Wingate's own expense was consecrated by the name of St. John the Evangelist. Mr. Wingate entered upon this work with the cordial consent and hearty good wishes of the rector and people of Trinity Church,—consent and good wishes which do still and will always go with him.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOLYOKE.

The Rev. CHARLES STANLEY LESTER, *late Rector.*

JAMES H. CLAPP, GEORGE LEDOYT, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 7; Total, 8. Confirmed, 11. Communi-
cants: Admitted, 12; Received, 3; Total Added, 15; Died, 3; Removed,
3; Total Lost, 6; Present Number, 160. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 11.
Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 18; Scholars, 110. Church: Value,
\$20,000;ittings, 320. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the
Parish, \$20,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$70.40;
All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Collections in Church,
\$118.41; Pew Rents, \$1,922.13; Subscriptions, \$450; Guild, \$236.42; Sun-
day School, \$100; Sunday School, \$66.09; Increase and Improvement of
Church Property (Guild, \$92.85), \$200; Total for Objects within the
Parish, \$3,163.45.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50; Conven-
tion Fund, \$21.00; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of
Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$12.25; Christian or Theological
Education, Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$25.00; Nashotah, \$5.00;
Total for Objects without the Parish, \$115.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of
Missions, \$100. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$15.00; Home
Missions to Colored People, \$10.00; Indian Commission, \$11.50; Mission-
ary Bishops' Fund, \$5.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$13.00;
Total for Missionary Contributions, \$154.50.

Total of Contributions, \$3,433.70.

REMARKS.

A volunteer chorus choir has acquitted itself with much credit during
the year, adding not a little to the solemnity and decorum of the service,
and glorifying the house of God by the sincerity of hearty praise.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOPKINTON.

The Rev. FRANKLIN LEONARD BUSH, *Missionary*.

WILLARD WADSWORTH, WILLIAM KENNEDY, *Church Wardens*.

Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; Present Number, 14. **Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, Glebe and Church Lot, \$2,500.**

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$90.06; Other Sources (from Glebe and otherwise), \$18.00; **Total for Objects within the Parish, \$108.08.**

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Nashotah, \$5.00; **Total for Objects without the Parish, \$5.00.**

• **MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.** — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19.70. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$11.00; **Total for Missionary Contributions, \$30.70.**

Total of Contributions, \$143.78.

REMARKS.

This ancient station of the church was made a mission of the Diocesan Board in the spring of 1875. Two Sunday services were held every three weeks last summer; and since that time morning and evening services have been held on Sunday twice a month with occasional week-day services. It has been the means of retaining several families in faithful performance of their duties as churchmen, of providing the children and others with regular instruction in the Catechism, of giving a number of persons an acquaintance with the worship of the church. The missionary hopes that the labor expended has been neither misdirected nor spent in vain, and that another year's work will show more fruit.

Missionary work has also been done in the town of Marlborough during the past year under the direction of the Diocesan Board. Twenty-four families are now connected with the mission, and more or less regular attendants upon its services. Eighteen communicants are reported; four persons confirmed; eight infants and three adults, total eleven, baptized; one funeral. Morning and evening service has been held on Sunday twice a month, and prayers and a sermon read usually on the intervening Sundays by a layman; week-day services have also been held. Considerable and commendable interest has been shown in the church by the people, many of whom had been long deprived of the privileges they had once enjoyed. The rent of a hall for a year has been freely given, and \$127.21 contributed at the offertory. It has proved a by no means unfruitful field for the church's work, and given cause for much thankfulness to Almighty God.

CHRIST CHURCH, HYDE PARK.

The Rev. ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D. D., *Rector*.

EBEN B. PAGE, C. W. W. WELLINGTON, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 24; Adults, 4; Total, 28. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 10; Received, 13; Total Added, 23. Died, 2; Removed, 9; Total Lost, 11; Present Number, 140. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 8. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 15; Scholars, 110; Sittings, 350.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$94.75; Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offering Box, \$509.80; Collections in Church (Pledges), \$556.45; Pew Rents, \$1.03; Subscriptions, \$72.00; Investments, \$300. Sunday School, \$0. Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$50.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$3,377.23.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$42.00; Consonant Fund, \$18.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the Relief of the Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$10.85; Church for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$10.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$80.85.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$46.05. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general (including chests), \$46.50; Home Missions to Colored People, \$7.00; Indian Mission (through Dakota League), Scholarship, \$60.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$28.90; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$148.45.

Total of Contributions, \$3,646.53.

REMARKS.

The Parish has more than held its own in these times of financial difficulty. Whatever debts there are, are for the most part of old liabilities, easily managed if there be only a willing mind and united action. Pew Rents the last year were \$1,602, for this year, \$1,771. The Rector, soon after Easter of last year, initiated the envelope system, which has yielded for the year \$556.45. The other Offerings at the Offering Box have been \$509.80, so that the adoption of the envelope system has increased the Offertory this year to \$1,066.25. The inherited difficulties of the Rectory Property have been happily solved, and by the kindness and liberality of George W. Morse, Esq. (settling his legal fees), and two or three members of the Parish, the Rectory and the Church have been relieved of a debt amounting to nearly \$1,000.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, IPSWICH.

The Rev. BENJ. F. NEWTON, *Officiating Clergyman.*

FULLER APPLETON, EVERHARD MARTIN, *Church Wardens.*

Communicants: Infants, 8; Adults, 2; Total 10. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Present Number, 38. Funerals, 7. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 5; Scholars, 27. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$6,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$39.74; Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$1,400. Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,439.74.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LANESBOROUGH.

[No Report.]

GRACE CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. GEORGE PACKARD, *Rector.*The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, *Assistant.*JOHN C. HOADLEY, HENRY BARTON, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 36; Adults, 6; Total, 42. Confirmed, 26. Communicants: Admitted, 21; Received, 8; Total Added, 29; Died, 4; Removed, 13; Total Lost, 17; Present Number, 230. Marriages, 24. Funerals, 85. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 25; Scholars, 212. Church: Value, \$18,000; Sittings, 600. Chapel: Value, \$2,000; Sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$276.63; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Collections in Church, One for Parish Expenses, \$25.00; Pew Rents, for Year ending April 1, 1876, \$3,026.67; Subscriptions, \$338; Donations from the Ladies' Union, \$41.00; Sunday School, for Papers, Books of Instruction, etc., \$48.51; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$206.33; Special Collection for the Poor, \$133.06; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$3,873.17.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$94.50; Convention Fund, \$18.00; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese, \$23.00; Christian or Theological Education, \$20.00; American Bible Society, \$18.00; A Church in Maine, \$30.00; Education of a Missionary's Daughter at Wolfe Hall, \$66.00, Wolfe Hall, Colorado, \$35.30, both from Sunday School, \$101.30; Annual Collection for the Poor of the City, \$109.71; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$489.51.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Two Collections in Church, \$49.00; Collections on each Evening of the Diocesan Missionary Meeting, \$78.36. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$27.00; Home Missions to Colored People, from Easter Sunday School Collection, \$54.36; Indian Commission, from Easter Sunday School Collection, \$21.63; From Ladies, \$3.00; Box for Indians, \$20.00; Missionary in Virginia, Box reported worth \$40.72; Missionary in Iowa, from Sunday School Collection, \$5.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$36.00; For Africa, by a former Parishioner, \$4.60; Mission Work in Mexico, from Sunday School, \$51.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$490.72.

Total of Contributions, \$4,703.40.

REMARKS.

Rev. William Lawrence was elected as assistant minister of Grace Church, and expected to commence his term of service, Sept. 1, 1875. In the latter part of August he was prostrated by typhoid fever, and by the advice of his physician did not enter upon his duties until April 1, 1876. Since that time he has labored energetically and most acceptably to myself and people.

As a congregation we are nearly filling the accommodations furnished us by our present house. The time is not far distant when another aisle is to be added. Our present building will admit of addition, laterally, and a wing on each side can be added, which will furnish sittings for three hundred or three hundred and fifty persons. When the addition is positively demanded I have no doubt that it will be made. The addition to

chapel, anticipated in my last report, was not made. There is a difference of opinion in regard to the expediency of adding to the present building, many thinking that under any plan of construction it will not serve our purpose, and that it is expedient to defer all action until a new one can be erected. This difference of opinion and the depression in the market have conspired to leave the whole matter as it was a year ago. The parish is in a healthy financial condition. At its meeting, Easter day, the treasurer again reported all bills paid.

Could my life be spared to the second Sunday in October of this year, my fortieth anniversary of service in connection with this parish may be celebrated. I was with it in its feeble, struggling infancy; watched it in its hopeful, growing youth; and am now witnessing and rejoicing in the strength and maturity of its manhood. To the Great Head of the Church be all the praise for His goodness to me and this people!

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. BELNO ADDISON BROWN, *Rector*.

JAMES WALTON, N. P. H. MELVIN, *Church Wardens*.

MEMBERSHIP: Infants, 40; Adults, 10; Total, 50. Confirmed, 72. Communion: Admitted, 72; Received, 10; Total Added, 82; Died, 3; Removed, 1; Total Lost, 5; Present Number, 250. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 20. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 25; Scholars, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$40 00; Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$2,262.90; Offerings at Offertory, \$49.48; Sunday School, \$375; Parochial Missions, \$75.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$3,172.38.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$24 00; Christian Theological Education, \$50.00; Nashotah, \$168; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$242.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.30; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$11.30.

Total of Contributions, \$3,425.68.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, LEE.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HARRIS, *Rector*.

LUCIUS CROCKER, THOMAS A. OMAN, *Church Wardens*.

MEMBERSHIP: Infants, 6; Adults, 1; Total, 7. Confirmed, 1. Communion: Present Number, 54. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 6. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 7; Scholars, 32. Church: Value, \$8,000. Sittings 40 persons.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$30.44; Offerings at the Offertory, \$161.87; Pew Rents, \$172.97; Sunday School, \$12; Christmas Tree, \$50.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$347.28.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund (for Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$5.50; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$5.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$21.00. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$3.25; Home Missions to Colored People, \$3.25; Indian Commission, \$1.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$3.75; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$35.25.

Total of Contributions, \$768.37.

. REMARKS.

The valuation of the Church Property given above is not the actual value, but is estimated pro rata according to the estimated value of neighboring property as assessed for taxation.

TRINITY CHURCH, LENOX.

The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, *Rector.*

CHARLES KNEELAND, EDMUND SPENCER, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 4; Adults, 2; Total, 6. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; Received, 3; Total Added, 7. Died, 1; Removed, 4; Total Lost, 5; Present Number, 40. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 8; Scholars, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$111.26; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$1,800; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,911.26.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — American Bible Society, \$54.34; Holy Communion Church Institute, Charleston, S. C., \$916.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$970.34.

Total of Contributions, \$2,881.60.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, LINCOLN.

HOWARD SNELLING, GEORGE GILBERT CHENEY, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Removed, 2; Present Number, 54. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 5; Scholars, 50. Church: Value, \$5,000; Sitings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — \$890.57.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — \$20.25.

Total of Contributions, \$910.82.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LONGWOOD.

The Rev. FRANK LOUIS NORTON, *Rector.*

WILLIAM R. LAWRENCE, M.D., SAMUEL L. BUSH, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 12; Adults, 2; Total, 14. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; Received, 9; Total Added, 20. Died 2. Present Number, 108. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 5. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 14; Scholars, 81. Church: Value, \$60,000; Sitings, 350. Total Valuation of the property belonging to the Parish, \$65,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, including Easter Offerings of \$450, \$1,035.81; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$2,268.12; Pew Rents, \$2,425.75; Investments, \$3,633.50; Sunday School, \$71.85; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$9,454.93.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$157.80; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$96.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$157.55; Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society, \$30.00; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$31.15; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$200.00; Christian or Theological Education, \$168.05; St. Mary's Church for Seamen, \$100.00; Hospitals, \$102.40; Southern Churches, \$23.70; American Bible Society, \$112.36; Young Women's Christian Association, \$46.70; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$1,525.71.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$95.00; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$225. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$260; Indian Commission, including box, \$28.20. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in General, including Women's Auxiliary, \$515.52; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$1,328.72.

Total of Contributions, \$12,304.36.

REMARKS.

The Rector desires to record the fact that, at Easter, a very handsome set of Communion Vessels and Alms Basins were added to the church. The people brought gold and silver articles, belonging mostly to departed friends, also jewels and coin. These offerings were melted and wrought into an exquisite service, the intrinsic value being large; while over and above, the hallowed associations clustering about each offering give to these beautiful vessels a value which cannot be computed. The altar linen, finely wrought, was given by a devout communicant as a thank-offering for special and great mercies. A Brass Altar Cross and Vases were presented at Christmas by Mrs. Blake, of London, England, in memory of her husband, the late Commodore Blake, U. S. N.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D. D., *Rector.*

JOHN O. GREEN, M. D., JOHN M. PEVEY, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 58; Adults, 2; Total, 60. Confirmed, 21. Communicants: Admitted, 21; Received, 8; Total Added, 29; Died, 11; Removed, 5; Total Lost, 16; Present Number, 426. Marriages, 33. Funerals, 53. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 22; Scholars, 240.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$339.88; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$4,500; Sunday School, \$75.44; Rector's Library, belonging to Parish, \$37.20; Parochial Missions, \$114.77; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$5,067.29.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$22.79; Margaret

Coffin Prayer Book Society, and Prayer Books and Bibles besides, \$74.49; Christian or Theological Education, Nashotah, \$89.65; Chelmsford Mission, \$241.51; Seamen, \$37.50; Church in Wisconsin (Rev. E. DeWolf), \$19.26; Dyarsville, Iowa, \$48.74; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$533.94.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$346.53. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$168.27; Colorado (Special), \$242. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$82.96; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$839.76.

Total of Contributions, \$6,440.99.

REMARKS.

On the Festival of St. Michael and All Angels was opened St. Mary's Orphanage for orphan children. A convenient house adjoining the property of St. Anne's parish on its rear has been provided and put in possession of a legal corporation, and the expenses of the institution have been liberally furnished by the contributions of a generous public. It is intended to publish a full report of the expenses, of the sources from whence derived, and of the results obtained up to the end of the first year of operations. In the mean time applications for admission to the institution may be made to the rector of St. Anne's Church, or to the sister in charge of the house, No. 13 Anne Street, Lowell.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER, *Rector.*

HENRY P. WEBBER, HENRY P. PERKINS, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 7. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; Received, 9; Total Added, 14; Total Lost, 14; Present Number, 270. Marriages, 11. Funerals, 9. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 24; Scholars, 200. Church: Value, \$25,000; Sitings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$5,000; Sitings, 200. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion (not elsewhere reported), \$91.01; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$382.27; Pew Rents, \$1,730.43; Subscriptions, \$30.00; Sunday School, \$104.79; Parochial Missions, \$25.00; Increase and Improvement of Church Property (from the Sunday School), \$67.00; Special Charity, \$40.00; Choir, \$55.37; Reduction of Church Debt (Easter Offering), \$246.21; Easter Flowers, \$15.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,787.08.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15.00; Christian or Theological Education, \$16.00; Special Aid for Mission, \$25.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$56.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$60.00; For the Missionary at Chelmsford, \$10.00. *Domestic.* For Bishop Tuttle, from the Sunday School, \$40.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$110.

Total of Contributions, \$2,953.08.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, LYNN.

The Rev. LOUIS DECORMIS, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16; Adults, 7; Total, 23. Confirmed, 27. Communicants: Present Number, 275. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 15. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 28; Scholars, 163.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$99.54; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: \$3,059.37; Sunday School Building Fund, \$450; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$3,608.91.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$50.00; Convention Fund, \$20.00; Theological Education, \$45.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$115.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25.00; Lynn City Mission, \$50.00. *Domestic*. Church in Omaha, \$52.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$127.

Total of Contributions, \$3,850.91.

REMARKS.

The present rector entered upon his duties Jan. 23, 1876. The list of communicants has been carefully revised with the above result.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MALDEN.

The Rev. GEORGE PUTNAM HUNTINGTON, *Rector*.

EDWARD BURTT, WILLIAM H. LEMON, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; Adults, 2; Total 21. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 19; Received, 4; Total Added, 23; Removed, 26; Present Number, 147. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 14. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 9; Scholars, 97. Church: Value, \$13,000; Sitings, 300; Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$18,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$20.98; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$1,616.33; Subscriptions, \$42.55; Donations, \$141.75. Sunday School (by its own Offerings), \$38.28; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$71.55; Christmas and Easter and other Festivals, \$61.48; Insurance, \$67.50; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,060.42.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund (Interest on Parish Note), \$21.00; Convention Fund, \$15.00; Sinking Fund for Parish Note to Episcopal Fund, \$21.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$57.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$29.42; Eastern Convocation, \$6.17. *Domestic*. Domestic Missions in general, for School at "Walla Walla," \$3.00; Indian Commission, \$14.21; Mission to Jews, \$1.33. *Foreign*. Foreign Missions in general, \$7.84; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$61.97.

Total of Contributions, \$2,179.39.

REMARKS.

The Parish has suffered by removals from the town. To meet the expenses of supporting the church it has been necessary to make a special effort at Easter, and the women have held a sale, from which over \$250 was received, a part of which has been retained as a fund for an organ or chapel. The children have collected, in mite boxes, for church improvements, \$21.55, and given in the Sunday School Offertory, \$46.74. To the poor 357 garments (sent in or made) have been given. Two of the Parish have devoted their time to visiting the sick and needy. Services have been held in the village of Linden once a month, morning and afternoon, with the assistance of a lay reader, Mr. J. D. McConkey, of the Episcopal Theological School. A box of goods, purchased mainly by Sunday School offerings, has been sent to the Indians through the Dakota League.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, MARBLEHEAD.

The Rev. JULIUS HAMMOND WARD, *Rector*.

EZEKIEL RUSSELL, RICHMOND F. MARDEN, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; Adults, 6; Total, 10. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Admitted, 12; Received, 4; Total Added, 16; Died, 1; Removed, 1; Total Lost, 2; Present Number, 97. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 10. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 15; Scholars, 110.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$101.88; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$1,582.44; Investments, \$160; Sunday School, \$69.91; Parish Library, \$12.16; Parochial Missions, \$27.00; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$120.41; Musical Instruction, \$27.00; Furnishing Church with Prayer Books and Hymnals, \$55.00; Christmas and Easter Decorations, \$25.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,180.80.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$42.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$5.07; New York Prayer Book Society, \$5.75; Christian or Theological Education, \$62.00; St. Ann's Deaf Mute Mission, N. Y., \$8.00; Marblehead Reform Club, \$15.11; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$137.93.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$33.15. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$62.00; Dakota League, \$25.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$15.35; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$135.50.

Total of Contributions, \$2,454 23.

GRACE CHURCH, MEDFORD.

The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS, *Rector*.

CHARLES B. CROCKETT, BENJAMIN P. HOLLIS, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; Received, 3; Total Added, 6; Died, 2; Present Number, 120. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 9. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 12; Scholars, 7.

Church: Value, \$60,000; Sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$8,000. Endowment, \$15,000. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$83,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$202.97; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$227.14; Collections in Church, \$61.87; Subscriptions, \$2,170.75; Investments, \$975; Sunday School, \$66.92; Parochial Missions, \$21.45; Organ and Improvements Incidental, \$2,204.50; Organ Motor, \$148.70; Choir Stalls, \$122.11; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$6,205.41.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$42.00; Convention Fund, \$20.00; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$28.80; Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$5.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$95.30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$37.00. *Domestic.* Indian Commission, \$10.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in General, \$8 15; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$55.15.

Total of Contributions, \$6,355.86.

TRINITY CHURCH, MELROSE.

The Rev. HENRY AIKEN METCALF, *Rector.*

WILLIAM L. WILLIAMS, ROYAL P. BARRY, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 16; Adults, 4; Total, 20. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 8; Received, 8; Total Added, 16; Died, 4; Removed, 11; Total Lost, 15; Present Number, 90. Funerals, 8. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 6; Scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$4,000; Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$5,000.00.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, of which sum Offerings at the Offertory, \$1,230 50; Subscriptions, \$100.00; Sunday School, \$15.00; Relief of Poor, \$18.00; Books for the Altar and Prayer Desk, \$28.00; Christmas Festival, \$65.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,456.50.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — For the Sisters, Haverhill, \$68.20; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$68.20.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Domestic.* Indian Commission, Dakota League Box, \$18.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$18.00.

Total of Contributions, \$1,542.70.

TRINITY CHURCH, MILFORD.

The Rev. W. F. LHOYD, *Rector.*

CHARLES DOVE, GEO. G. PARKER, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 7; Adults, 1; Total, 8. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; Received, 1; Total Added, 3; Present Number, 76; Funerals, 2. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 8; Scholars, 54;

Church: Value, \$9,000; Sittings, 256. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$9,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$67.65; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$77.00; Collections in Church, \$52.00; Pew Rents, \$602; Other Sources, \$309 28; Sunday School \$71.68; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$150; Special Charity, \$24.00; Organ Fund, \$200. Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,553.59.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$21 00; Convention Fund, \$12.00. Total for Objects without the Parish, \$33.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$45 00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$45.00.

Total of Contributions, \$1,631.59.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, MILLVILLE.

Parish Vacant the Entire Year.

HENRY STEPHEN MANSFIELD, WILLIAM ARNOLD COLE, Church Wardens.

Communicants: Died, 2; Removed, 7; Total Lost, 9; Present Number, 64. Funerals, 2. Church: Value, \$5,000. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$7,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$27.52; All Current Expenses: Pew Rents, \$140.70; Donations, \$12.50; Other Sources, \$2.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$182 72.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.00. Total for Missionary Contributions, \$10.00.

Total of Contributions, \$192.72.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NANTUCKET.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HOOPER, Jr., *Rector.*

CHARLES H. STARBUCK, ARTEMAS DAVIS, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Communicants: Present Number, 33; Sunday School Officers and Teachers, 7; Scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$1,000; Parsonage: Value, \$600. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$1,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Collections in Church, \$197.66; Other Sources, \$67.76; Sunday School, \$5.00; Total, \$270.42.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$8 75. Total for Missionary Contributions, \$8.75.

Total of Contributions, \$279.17.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NATICK.

The Rev. BENJAMIN R. GIFFORD, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; Adults, 1; Total, 10. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 5; Received, 3; Total Added, 8. Removed, 12; Present Number, 42. Burials, 8.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary and Communion Alms, \$400; For the Sunday School, \$25.00; For Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$330. Total Objects within the Parish, \$755.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions \$10 00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$10.00.

Total of Contributions, \$765.00.

REMARKS.

I took charge of St. Paul's Church, in this place, on the first Sunday of June last, immediately on resigning Trinity Church, Bridgewater, and services have been held regularly during the year. The state of things in the Parish, is, on the whole, quite encouraging. The general attendance has considerably increased, and there are manifested much earnestness and zeal on the part of the people. In the autumn the interior of the Church was much improved by carpeting the floor, finishing and furnishing the chancel, etc.; and very recently the grounds about the building have been graded and terraced and evergreens set out. An unfortunate claim of \$543 against the parish was generously met by kind friends in Boston. There is, however, a mortgage of \$3,000 upon the property, which is quite an incubus, but it is hoped that ere long measures will be taken to remove or lessen the indebtedness.

Last December I commenced services in Waban Hall, Wellesley, three miles distant, and I have continued them to the present time with a good degree of encouragement. They have been held on Sunday evenings after the second service in Natick. The responses and singing have been uncommonly good, adding much to the interest and impressiveness of the service. It seems very desirable and important to continue them.

GRACE CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.

The Rev. EDMUND ROWLAND, *Rector*.SAMUEL LEONARD, Jr., C. B. H. FESSENDEN, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 35; Adults, 6; Total, 41. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 19; Received, 6; Total Added, 25; Died, 7; Removed, 3; Total Lost, 10; Present Number, 239. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 14. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 13; Scholars, 120.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$108.83; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$3 200; Sunday School, \$52 65; Sunday School Library, \$50 00; Interest on Fund for Poor, \$75 00; Church Building Fund, \$200; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$3,686 48.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Bishop's Salary, \$70.00; Conversion Fund, \$20.00; New York Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$31.00 Total for Objects without the Parish, \$121.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50.00. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$101; India Commission, \$40.00; Box for Indian Commission, \$40.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$60.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$291 Total of Contributions, \$4,098.48.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEWBURYPORT.

The Rev. EDWARD LIVINGSTON DROWN, *Rector.*

NATHANIEL FOSTER, DAVID WOOD, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 13; Adults, 6; Total, 19. Confirmed, 20. Communicants: Total Added, 20; Present Number, 186. Marriages, 5. Funerals 12. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 17; Scholars, 100. Church Sitzings, 425. Chapel: Value, \$12,000; Sitzings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$170.23 All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Pew Rents, \$1,503.87 Subscriptions, \$625; Donations, \$25.00; Sunday School Library, \$35.75 There is a Fund of \$10,000 for the support of the Rector; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,359.85.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Howard Benevolent Society \$34.15; Missions, various, \$91.75; Total for Objects without the Parish \$125.90.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general by Sunday School, \$43.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$43.00.

Total of Contributions, \$2,528.75.

REMARKS.

I have been in temporary charge of St. Paul's Parish from Advent Sunday until Easter Day, and entered upon my duties as Rector on the first Sunday in May. The above report from the parish has been prepared by the wardens.

In accordance with the Canon I herewith report my official acts from the close of my ministry in Lynn, July 15, 1875, to May 1, all of which are recorded in the various parishes in which they were performed, viz.: Baptisms: Infants, 4; Adults, 6; Marriages, 4; Burials, 4; Confirmations, 20 and I have delivered one hundred and twenty-seven sermons or addresses.

GRACE CHURCH, NEWTON.

The Rev. GEORGE WOLFE SHINN, *Rector.*

EDWIN F. WATERS, ADIN B. UNDERWOOD, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 19; Adults, 7; Total, 26. Confirmed, 11. Communicants, about 180. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 15. Sunday School. Officers and Teachers, 20; Scholars, 140. Church seats, 600. Total Valuation of the Property of the Parish, not entirely paid for, however, about \$122,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$335.00; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, Interest on Debt, etc., \$11,901.70; Sunday School, \$206.75; Other Parochial Objects, for the Poor mainly, \$376.18; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$12,819.63.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$78.75; Convention Fund, \$30.00; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$5.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$5.00; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$5.00; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$5.00; Christian or Theological Education, \$29.50; For other Objects without the Parish. In Money and Goods, Value about \$134.50; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$292.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30.00; Other Missions, \$40.85; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$70.85.

Total of Contributions, \$13,183.23.

REMARKS.

God's blessing has been abundantly given this parish during the past year. There has been increase in numbers, earnestness, and devotion. Notwithstanding the hard times, the parish has met all its current expenses, paid the interest on its debt, and reduced the principal of the debt.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WEST NEWTON.

The Rev. FRANCIS WYMAN SMITH, *Rector*.

LEVI F. WARREN, F. G. L. HENDERSON, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; Adults, 1; Total, 3. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 9; Received, 3; Total Added, 12; Removed, 3. Present Number, 38. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 2. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 5; Scholars, 16.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$267.81; Subscriptions, \$415; Other Sources, \$195.19; Sunday School, \$11.82; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$889.82.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.47; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$20.47.

Total of Contributions, \$910.29.

REMARKS.

The Rector entered upon his duties in this Parish and Mission on Whitsunday, May 16, 1875. An effort is now being made to erect a small and inexpensive church building. The condition of the Parish is promising, and the prospect very encouraging.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, NEWTON LOWER FALLS.

The Rev. HENRY MACKAY, *Rector*.ISAAC HAGAR, CASSANDER SMITHSON FLAGG, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; Adults, 7; Total, 16. Confirmed, 14. Communicants, 157. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 2. Sunday Schools: Officers and Teachers, 14; Scholars, 90; Total, 104.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For all Objects within the Parish, including Rector's Salary, \$2,634.39;
For all Objects without the Parish, \$97.00.

Total of Contributions, \$2,731.39.

REMARKS.

The Parish was without a Rector from Advent, in 1875, to Ash Wednesday in the present year, which, with another matter, kept it back from accomplishing as much as the people desired to do for objects without the parish. This they feel and regret. But the work is now fully entered on in the spirit of a hearty, warm zeal, through which, under God, we look for growth and progress. The parish is free of debt, greatly to its comfort and much to its credit, and the people are united. The present incumbent took charge on Ash Wednesday.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH ADAMS.

The Rev. THOMAS BURGESS, *Rector*.CHARLES H. READ, A. D. MINER, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; Received, 2; Total Added, 4; Present Number, 97. Funerals, 1. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 13; Scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$22,000; Sitings, 340. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$22,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$58.20; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Pew Rents, \$952.25; Donations, \$100; Other Sources, \$65.00; Sunday School, \$39.18; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,209.63.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$10.00; for Objects without the Parish, \$10.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$43 47; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$43 47.

Total of Contributions, \$1,263.10.

REMARKS.

St. John's Parish has been without a Rector since the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Canfield, which took effect last summer. Temporary supplies have been secured from time to time, and on the vacant Sundays the services have been conducted by a lay reader. The present Rector took charge of the Parish about three months ago, and feels much encouraged for the church work in North Adams, though the recent financial troubles have proved a very heavy blow to the Parish. Owing to a lack of completeness in church records for the past year, the present report may prove less full than it should properly be.

GRACE CHURCH, NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH.

The Rev. JOHN S. BEERS, *Rector*.OTIS STANLEY, ABEL R. BLOCK, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16; Adults, 3; Total, 19. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; Received, 11; Total Added, 13; Died, 4; Removed, 13; Total Lost, 17; Present Number, 60. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 7. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 12; Scholars, 75. Church: Sitings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$37.00; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offering, \$69.00; Pew Rents, \$885; Subscriptions, \$25.00; Donations, \$10.00; Ladies' Society, \$30; Sunday School, \$75.00 (The \$1,500 note mentioned in last year's report has been reduced to \$1,150.) Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,481.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$21.00; Convention Fund, \$5.25; Christian or Theological Education, \$5.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$31.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$36.00. *Domestic*. Domestic Missions in general, \$1.00; Indian Commission (Goods), \$15.00. *Foreign*. Foreign Missions in general, \$6.30; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$58.30.

Total of Contributions, \$1,570.55.

REMARKS.

This Parish has suffered severely during the past year in the loss of members, by removal from town or by death, including, as will be seen by the report, more than one fourth of the Communicants, which will account for the fact that some of the figures are less than those of last year.

We have now thirteen Communicants in East Attleborough, who are visited by the Rector of this church. The distance is too great for them to attend service here, and it would be well if services could be held in East Attleborough, but it has thus far been found impossible to procure a suitable place or to provide for even the small expense which would be incurred.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTHAMPTON.

The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, *Rector*.W. C. ROBINSON, D. W. CRAFTS, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; Adults, 5; Total, 16. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 14; Received, 2; Total Added, 16; Died, 3; Removed, 3; Total Lost, 6; Present Number, 90. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 6. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 9; Scholars, 50.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$28.00; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$2,000; Received from sources outside the Parish for Repair and Improvement of Church, \$312.50; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,340.50.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — American Bible Society, \$9.30; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$9.30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$3.00. Total for Missionary Contributions, \$3.00.

Total of Contributions, \$2,357.80.

REMARKS.

The ladies have contributed two boxes of clothing for the Indians. Value, \$30.00.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, OTIS.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HARRIS, *Rector.*

Communicants: Present Number, 3. Church: Value, \$2,500; Sittings for 150 persons.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, \$29.50; Improvement of Church Property, about \$200; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$229.50.

Total of Contributions, \$229.50.

REMARKS.

St. Paul's Church, Otis, had been closed and disused for a period of more than ten years when the bishop made his first visitation of the Parish in 1873. The building was too much out of repair to use. There were but a few of the old parishioners remaining in the town. At his suggestion an effort was made (which proved to be successful) to raise sufficient funds to repair the church. About \$200 was subscribed in Otis, which, with aid received from the neighboring parishes, at Stockbridge, Great Barrington, and Lee, and also through the bishop from Boston, amounting in all to \$500, enabled the people to repair and repaint the building, and put it in good order both inside and out.

By direction of the Bishop and Board of Missions I held services in Otis twice in a month during the summer and fall of last year. The attendance was good, and considerable interest manifested. It is my opinion that could a sufficient appropriation be made to meet the necessary expenses, quite a good missionary work might be done by visiting from house to house among the scattered rural population of this town.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, PEABODY.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary.*

EDGAR W. UPTON, *Lay Reader.*

Baptisms: Infants, 11. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; Removed, 3; Present Number, 32. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 1. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 4; Scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$1,400; Sittings, 170.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary; Offerings at the Offertory, \$267; Subscriptions to Missionary's Salary, \$177.02; Donations, \$325; Increase and Improvement of

Church Property, Church building, \$645; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,417.02.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$8.00. *Domestic.* Indian Commission, Box of Clothing, value, \$30.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$38.00.

Total of Contributions, \$1,455.02.

REMARKS.

I took charge of St. Paul's Mission, Peabody, Aug. 19, 1875. The offerings for clergyman's salary and for the building fund date from that time. The amount of weekly offerings is for the whole of the convention year. We have built a neat little church at the cost of \$1,400, which is nearly paid for. The land cost \$2,020, and is not paid for. The mission is in good condition, the church being full every Sunday evening, while in the morning the congregation is good. The nave of the building will hold one hundred and fifty, and the choir twenty. The church people here are much interested and co-operate heartily with the missionary, and we look for good things ahead, God blessing us.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, PITTSFIELD.

The Rev. WILLIAM MCGLATHERY, *Rector.*

EDWARD BOLTWOOD, W. EDWARD VERMILYE, M. D., *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 2; Adults, 1; Total, 3. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; Received, 2; Total Added, 9; Died, 1; Present Number, about 100. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 12; Scholars, 60.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$255.39; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offering, \$492.06; Collections in Church, \$84.19; Donations, \$61.31; Other Sources, \$300; Sunday School, \$125.56; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,098.51.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$39.25; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$39.25.

Total of Contributions, \$2,137.76.

REMARKS.

The present rector assumed the charge of St. Stephen's the first Sunday in October, so that the report covers but the period from Oct. 1 to the date of the Diocesan Convention. The conventional year was ended with a balance in the treasury, after having paid off a number of small debts which had existed from the previous year. The Parish starts out without any debt for the current year. Although the Parish was reported at the meeting of convention as not having contributed its share towards the support of the bishop, the exact state of the case is that the Parish voted to give its note of the amount required of it, agreeing to pay the interest upon the amount and one tenth of the principal each year until the whole amount was contributed. By mistake the note was not forwarded, but the assessment is behind but one year.

CHRIST CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

OLIVER T. WOOD, *Church Warden.*

Communicants: Removed, 1; Present Number, 14. Marriages, 1. Church: Value, \$2,000; Sitings, 200.

REMARKS.

Christ Church remains without a Rector, the building gradually falling to decay. There is no prospect of an immediate change for the better.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUINCY.

The Rev. REGINALD HEBER HOWE, *Rector.*WILLIAM L. WAINWRIGHT, WILLIAM GREENOUGH, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 10; Adults, 5; Total, 15. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; Received, 3; Total Added, 14. Died, 1. Removed, 12; Total Lost, 13. Present Number, 178. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 7. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 14; Scholars, 127. Church: Value, \$25,000; Sitings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$22.99; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$2,047; Sunday School, \$52.00; Parish Library, \$9.76; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$284.64; Sunday School Offerings, \$30.61; Sewing Society, \$29.00; Weekly Pledge for Rectory Debt, \$240.52; Christmas Expenses, \$75.64. Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,792.16.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$13.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$6.97; Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$8.39; Christian or Theological Education, \$9.04; Box to Missionary, value, \$200; Dakota League, \$5.00; Life Insurance of Missionaries, \$11.00. Total for Objects without the Parish, \$253.40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$33.36. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$68.58; Home Missions to Colored People, \$9.47; Indian Commission, \$8.54. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$35.20. Total for Missionary Contributions, \$155.15.

Total of Contributions, \$3,200.71.

REMARKS.

Completed and paid for, this Church was consecrated by the Bishop of the Diocese before a large congregation and about forty of the Clergy on Monday, June 21st. This has been the event of the year. The interest of the occasion was much heightened by the presence of the Rt. Rev. B. B. Smith, D. D., the Presiding Bishop, who assisted in the services, and of the Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, D. D., who preached the sermon. Fifty-five years before he was sent here by Bishop Griswold, and here he had his first Sunday School.

CHRIST CHURCH, ROCHDALE.

The Rev. SAMUEL R. BAILEY, *Rector*.DUTY SALSBUARY, TALMON TRASK, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3. Communicants: Died, 1; Removed, 1; Total Lost, 2; Present Number, 64. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 5. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 6; Scholars, 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Collections in Church, \$124.36; Pew Rents, \$285.70; Subscriptions, \$235; Other Sources, \$784.56; Sunday School, \$5 00. Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,034.62.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$16.60. Total for Missionary Contributions, \$16.60.

Total of Contributions, \$1,051.22.

REMARKS.

The Parish has suffered exceedingly from the business depression of the times, and other causes. The Mills at Rochdale, upon which all the business of the place depends, were stopped for almost one half the year, rendering it difficult for many of the people to live.

In addition to this the disaster at Cherry Valley (break of Worcester Reservoir) has affected our people more than any others, the loss falling largely upon them. Hence, we have gone behudhand, the contributions from "Other Sources" referring partly to indebtedness incurred. On the whole, however, there has been a fair measure of prosperity, and there is evident encouragement in the minds of the people, especially at Rochdale, not so much so with those at Cherry Valley, who feel their disaster deeply.

GRACE CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, *Rector*.BENJAMIN SHREVE, DANIEL B HAGAR, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; Adults, 1; Total, 16. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; Received, 10; Total Added, 16; Died, 2; Present Number, 169. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 4. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 14; Scholars, 100. Sewing School: Teachers, 8; Scholars, 35.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$240; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$2,800; Sunday School, \$20.00; Sewing School, \$50.00; Festivals, \$150; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$3,260.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.00; Convention Fund, \$20 00; Salem Relief Committee, \$30.00. Total for Objects without the Parish, \$102.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$4 51. *Domestic*. Domestic Missions in general, \$110. *Foreign*. Foreign Missions in general, \$32.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$206.51.

Total of Contributions, \$3,568.51.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. CHARLES ARRY, D. D., *Rector*.CHARLES H. BATES, JOHN P. PEABODY, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 20; Adults, 10; Total, 30. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Admitted, 11; Present Number, 229. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 8. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 27; Scholars, 141. Church: Value, \$40,000; Sittings, 1,000. Chapel: Value, \$10,000; Sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, including Thanksgiving Offertory, \$335.18; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Pew Rents, \$3,708.17; Subscriptions, \$1,000; Sunday School, \$45.73; Increase and Improvement of Church Property (Rectory Fund), \$804.16; Christmas Festival, \$106.47; Support of Orphan Child, \$151.70; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$6,151.41.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$105; Convention Fund, \$20.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$125.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$38.35; Peabody Mission, \$26.00; City Poor, \$37.89 *Domestic*. By Sunday School — Oregon Missions, \$20.50; Nashotah, \$25.00; Domestic Missions in general, \$40.00; Home Missions to Colored People, \$12.75; Dakota League, \$36.55; Bishop Whipple's Schools (Faribault), \$91.26; Society for Increase of Ministry, \$22.61; Trinity Church, Aurora, Ill., \$65.00; Box sent to Indian Mission at Crow Creek, about \$70.00. *Foreign*. Foreign Missions in general, \$60.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$475.91.

Total of Contributions, \$6,752.32.

CHRIST CHURCH, SHEFFIELD.

The Rev. S. P. PARKER, D. D., *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; Adults, 1; Total 2. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 4; Received, 1; Total Added, 5. Present Number, 30. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 4; Scholars, 26.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, Exclusive of Special Offerings, \$33.93. All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$430.95; Offerings at the Offertory, \$55.22; Investment in Savings Bank, \$70.00; Christmas Tree, \$35.38. Total for Objects within the Parish, \$625.41.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$12.07. Total for Objects without the Parish, \$12.07.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$59.70. Total for Missionary Contributions, \$59.70.

Total of Contributions, \$697.18.

REMARKS.

This young Church has suffered severely the past year in the diminution of the pecuniary resources of the congregation, owing to the financial



troubles of the times. It has had to support the burden of an unjust lawsuit, in which it has been successful. There has been no abatement in zeal or numbers. Progress has been made in the beautiful music which marks the worship. Its missionary offerings have necessarily been diminished, but the Parish is out of debt and has a small reserved fund in the Savings Bank.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN, *Rector*.

REUBEN P. BENTON, SAMUEL REYNOLDS, Jr., *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Present Number, 70. Funerals, 2. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 16; Scholars, 94. Church: Value, \$15,000; Sitzings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Offerings at the Offertory, \$644 76; Subscriptions, \$1,234.68; Other Sources, \$800.59; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$2,680.03.

REMARKS.

Of the above, included in current expenses, \$562.89 were expended in repairs upon church edifice, but not in improvement of church property.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, EAST SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DURELL, *Rector*.

ALEXANDER WOOD, DOUGLAS FRAZAR, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 50; Adults, 10; Total, 60. Confirmed, 31. Communicants: Admitted, 25; Received, 4; Total Added, 29; Died, 9; Removed, 14; Total Lost, 23; Present Number, 171. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 36. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 25; Scholars, 171.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — A Free Church, supported by the weekly offerings; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$1,000; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$350; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,350.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$21.00; Convention Fund, \$12 00; For other Objects without the Parish, \$45.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$75.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$21.36.

Total of Contributions, \$1,449.36.

REMARKS.

A debt of \$1,000 upon the land on which the church stands was left at the time of the erection of the building five years ago. The voluntary gift of this sum, early in the year, as an expression of affectionate appreciation of our work by a noble hearted woman, whose generous act we shall most thankfully remember, removed this indebtedness, and the church was consecrated by the Bishop on the ninth day of July. The sermon on that occasion was preached by my life-long friend, the Rev. Dr. Burgess,

whose presence and words recalled happy memories of another field of our labor and added much to the joy of the consecration service. A Sunday School room, fifty-four feet by twenty-five, has just been finished and nicely furnished, and this beautiful room, with our large choir-room, is a valuable addition to our convenience as well as comfort. Other additions have also been made to the church organ by the hands of the Rector.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTH ADAMS.

The Rev. ALBIN B. JENNINGS, *Rector*.

JOHN S. ADAMS, JAMES OSBORNE, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Present Number, 50. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 2. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 8; Scholars, 50.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$46.50; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$1,184.50; Sunday School, \$136.21; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,367.21.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.80. *Domestic*. Home Mission to Colored People, \$4.90: Total for Missionary Contributions, \$25.70.

Total of Contributions, \$1,392.91.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTHBOROUGH.

The Rev. J. I. T. COOLIDGE, D. D., *Rector*.

JOSEPH BURNETT, L. W. NEWTON, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; Adults, 7; Total, 17. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; Received, 1; Total Added, 4. Died, 1; Removed, 1; Total Lost, 2. Present Number, 48. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 1. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 8; Scholars, 38. Church: Value, \$15,000;ittings, 250. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$18,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms, \$21.10; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$1,300.00. Total for objects within the Parish, \$1,321.10.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$15.00. Total for Objects without the Parish, \$15.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$92.26. *Domestic*. Domestic Missions in general, \$5.00; Home Missions to Colored People, \$20.00; Indian Commission, \$30.67. Total for Missionary Contributions, \$147.93.

Total of Contributions, \$1,484.03.

MAY 15, 1876.

REPORT OF ST. MARK'S SCHOOL FOR THE YEAR 1875-76.

The School commenced its year with fifty-two pupils, being its full number. During the year three have been baptized. At the visit of the Bishop to the Parish three were confirmed and added to the list of Communicants of the Parish, making the whole number of Communicants

belonging to the School, 24. It is to be remembered that while this is a Church School, there is quite a proportion of the scholars who are not of Church families.

The year has been a most satisfactory one in all respects. In every department the boys have done good work and made very marked progress. At the coming examinations for admission to college, two will be offered for the full, and nine for the preliminary examination at Harvard, and one for Dartmouth; one will also leave for a foreign tour.

The Trustees have expressed their satisfaction with the School, and would commend it to the confidence and interest of the Churchmen of this Diocese. Are there not those among them who will strengthen it by establishing foundations for Tutorships or Scholarships, and by the gift of valuable books to its library? At present it rests wholly on the income derived from the pupils. And as such institutions must be costly, almost the whole of the income is spent in its necessary annual running expenses. But little is left to keep it well furnished in its departments.

The Trustees are anxious to see on its register the names, not only of the sons of rich men, but of clergymen especially, who are properly ambitious for their children, but whose thin incomes prevent the execution of their desires. Every year applications come from this class, to be rejected with sorrow from inability to make the necessary reduction in terms. The School gives now two full and two half Scholarships, which is all that it can afford. Are there none to help in this good work for the Lord's sake?

J. I. T. COOLIDGE,
Head Master.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, SOUTH GROVELAND.

The Rev. ITHAMAR W. BEARD, *Rector.*

CHARLES A. SHAW, WM. H. PARKER, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 9; Adults, 6; Total, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 11; Died, 4; Removed, 2; Total Lost, 6; Present Number, 47. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 11. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 20; Scholars, 131. Church: Value, \$8,000; Sitings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$75.95; Pew Rents, \$878.66; Sunday School, \$128.96; For Hymnals introduced, \$26.85; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,110.42.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$10.00; American Bible Society, \$3.93; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$13.93.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.54; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$15.54.

Total of Contributions, \$1,139.89.

CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD.

The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, S. T. D., *Rector.*

The Rev. JOHN LIGHTNER EGBERT, *Assistant.*

JOHN BLISS STEBBINS, JAMES DWIGHT BREWER, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 42; Adults, 18; Total, 60. Confirmed, 45. Communicants: Admitted, 51; Received, 32; Total Added, 83; Died, 26;

Removed, 81; Total Lost, 57; Present Number, 402; Marriages, 18; Funerals, 49; Sunday Schools, 5; Officers and Teachers, 47; Scholars, 445; Sewing Schools, 2; Teachers, 18; Scholars, 112. Church: Value, \$70,000; Sitings, 1,000. Church Lot: Value, \$45,000. Parsonage: Value, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion (not including Easter), \$778.48; Pew Rents, \$5,590; Sunday School, \$430; Poor not included in Communion Alms, \$450; Parochial Missions, \$315; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$1,024.02; Salary of Assistant, \$1,200; Easter Offerings from Congregation, \$480.69; Easter Offerings from Sunday School, \$947.72; Christ Church Guild, \$378; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$11,593.91.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$105; Convention Fund, \$60.00; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$20.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (For the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$10.00; Christian or Theological Education, \$236.27; For other Objects without the Parish, \$387; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$818.27.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$238.02. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$80.16; Home Missions to Colored People, \$31.17; Jews' Mission, \$20.15; Iowa Mission, \$25.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in General, \$56.05; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$450.55.

Total of Contributions, \$12,862.73.

REMARKS.

Labors are continued in the three Missions within the city limits, and in connection with the Chapel or Church of the Good Shepherd, in West Springfield. In this latter mission, services are held twice every Sunday and at other times. An independent parish may soon be formed.

The Rector and Assistant Priest, with devout gratitude to the Lord, report that the New Church is nearly completed and will be occupied on the fifth Sunday after Easter. It is situated within a few rods of the Old Church, and in a commanding position. It is cruciform in shape, has a deep chancel, wide transepts and nave, and narrow cloister aisles. The entire length is 132 feet, the breadth at the transept is 90 feet, the chancel is 33 feet in depth, circular and apsidal, the width of the nave is 55 feet and its height 66 feet; the height of the clerestory is 32 feet. The roof shows its timbers. The walls are of red sandstone, from Longmeadow; the timbers are of Georgia pine; and the pews, chancel furniture, doors and wainscoting are of black ash. The chancel steps and pulpit are of Ohio sandstone, and the fine eagle lectern of brass. The windows are all of colored glass and mostly memorial.

The architects are Lord, Fuller & Wadlin, of Boston. The stone masons, James & Marra; and the builder, Charles Shaw, all of Springfield. The glass is from the manufactory of Otto F. Falck & Co., and the polychroming by Philip A. Butler, all of Boston.

The subscription and gifts amount to about \$65,000. The church cannot be offered for consecration till the sale of the old lot belonging to the Parish. Securing a fair price for its real estate, the indebtedness of the Parish from the erection of the New Church will be almost extinguished. Laboring still for so happy a consummation, both Priests and People rejoice before the Lord.



ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, STOCKBRIDGE.

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, *Rector*.The Rev. SILAS M. ROGERS, *Assistant*.DANIEL B. FENN, Jr., MASON VAN DEUSEN, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 49; Adults, 17; Total, 66. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 17; Received, 2; Total Added, 19; Removed, 1; Present Number, 109. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 16. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 16; Scholars, 100. Church: Sittings, about 250. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$6,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion (exclusive of Special Objects elsewhere reported), \$251.77; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Collections in Church, \$313.40; Pew Rents, \$1,284.50; Subscriptions, \$537.34; Sunday School. Christmas Expenses, \$123.39; Sunday School Library, \$37.00; Parochial Missions, Assistant's Salary, \$1,100; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$550; For the Poor, \$70.82; Sundries, \$15.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$4,288.22.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, Interest on Note, \$29.06; Convention Fund, \$15.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (For the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$39.07; American Bible Society, \$90.20; New York Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$3.10; Relief of the family of the late Rev. J. H. Rickett, \$123; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$299.43.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Domestic*. Home Missions to Colored People, \$61.66; Indian Commission, Nobara, one Scholarship, \$60.00; Collected by Dakota League, \$117.10; Three Scholarships in Utah, \$120. *Foreign*. Foreign Missions in general, \$41.80; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$478.94.

Total of Contributions, \$5,066.59.

REMARKS.

The reports from the South Lee Mission are all entered upon the books of St. Paul's Parish; and the Parish and Mission therefore return a joint report. The accompanying report embraces the labors of the Rev. S. M. Rogers, Assistant Minister at South Lee, as well as those of the Rector. The valuable boxes not mentioned in the report have been sent to missionaries in the East and West. The Parish seems to be steadily growing in numbers and in strength.

CHRIST CHURCH, SWANSEA.

The Rev. N. WATSON MUNROE, *Rector*.WILLIAM H. PEARSE, H. O. WOOD, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Adults, 1. Communicants: Present Number, 12. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 4; Scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$6,000. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$10,000, as judged by Vestry.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$20.00; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$455; Sunday School: For Books, etc., \$25.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$500.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$7.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$7.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$20.00.

Total of Contributions, \$527.00.

REMARKS.

The Rector has nothing new to add of particular interest in his remarks on the Parish. He has long occupied, as his brethren know, a small, discouraging church field, — a pleasant village, where his pretty church is the only house of worship to remind its people of their Christian duties; and so he has thought it his duty to remain with his little band of worshippers until Providence seemed to call him to leave his field to some other laborer in due season.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. EDWARD HYDE TRUE, *Rector.*

HENRY AUGUSTUS WEEDEN, WILLIAM PARKIN, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 19; Adults, 4; Total, 23. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 15; Died, 2; Removed, 5; Total Lost, 7; Present Number, 104. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 7. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 24; Scholars, 165; Bible Class, 34. Church: Value, \$24,000; Sittings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$59.75; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Pew Rents, \$1,722; Subscriptions, \$133; Investments, \$700; Sunday School, \$349; Parish Library, \$28.00; By Ladies' Parochial Aid Society, for Insurance, etc., \$181.99; By St. John's Guild, for General Purposes, \$15.00; By Sunday School, for Books, etc. etc., \$62.52; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$3,254.26.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$9.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$9.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$12.50. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$8.85; Indian Commission, by the Sunday Schools, \$38.60; Dakota League, \$12.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$71.95.

Total of Contributions, \$3,335.21.

REMARKS.

The Rector entered upon his duties on the 18th of July, A. D. 1875. In connection with the foregoing report it is due to the parishioners to state that they have been actively interested in the establishment of a Young Men's Christian Union in our immediate vicinity, the constitution of which requires that a certain number of its Board of Control shall consist of members of St. John's Church. The contributions in the way of membership, etc., to this good work have been considerable.



ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEAROYD, *Rector*.EDMUND H. BENNETT, WILLIAM C. LOVERING, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 25; Adults, 6; Total, 31. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Admitted, 13; Received, 3; Total Added, 16; Died, 6; Removed, 26; Total Lost, 32; Present Number, 267. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 17. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 30; Scholars, 260. Church, Value, \$45,000; Sittings, 700. Chapel: Value, \$18,000; Sittings, 250. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000; Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$78,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$504.31; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$5,266.82. Sunday School, \$355; Parish Library, \$16.98; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$2,155; Prayer Books, \$9.86; For the Poor, \$332. Total for Objects within the Parish, \$8,639.97.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$56.00; Convention Fund, \$25.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$64.84; Christian or Theological Education, \$38.00; Boxes to Missionaries, \$485; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$668.84.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$149.54. *Domestic*. Domestic Missions in general, \$101.65; Home Missions to Colored People, \$118.53; Indian Commission, \$118.53. *Foreign*. Foreign Missions in general, \$140.19; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$628.44.

Total of Contributions, \$9,937.25.

REMARKS.

A fine polished brass eagle lecturn has been placed in St. Thomas' Church, the gift of the Hon. Samuel L. Crocker.

TRINITY CHURCH, VAN DEUSENVILLE.

The Rev. S. P. PARKER, D. D., *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; Adults, 3; Total, 13. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; Received, 1; Total Added, 5; Present Number, 40. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, exclusive of Special Offerings, \$21.74; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$319.89; Other Offerings at the Offertory, \$57.11; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$175; Other Parochial Objects, \$50.00; Christmas Tree, \$24.00; Sunday School Library, \$20.00; Ladies' Sewing Society, \$100; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$767.74.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$12.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$12.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$57.22. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, Mite Chests, \$22.75; Indian Commission, Dakota League, \$12.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$91.97.

Total of Contributions, \$871.71.

REMARKS.

The church has more than held its own, notwithstanding the present pecuniary pressure. Its number of worshippers have rather increased. It continues to be the only place of worship in the neighborhood, and its usefulness in gathering in the scattered and neglected is growing, while it is, as it has been for long years, the home of many old and loving members of the Episcopal Church, together with their children and friends.

EMMANUEL MISSION, WAKEFIELD.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary.*

Baptisms: Infants, 3. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 4; Died, 1; Removed, 1; Total Lost, 2; Present Number, 16. Funerals, 2. Church: Value of Furniture in Hall, \$186; Seatings, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Offerings at the Offertory, \$224.88; Donations, \$60.00; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, fitting up Hall, \$186; \$100 of this from a pre-existing Fund; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$470.88.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$5.00.

Total of Contributions, \$475.88.

REMARKS.

I took charge of Emmanuel Mission, Wakefield, Aug. 19, 1875. The offerings, contributions, etc., date from that time. I consider the mission in a good condition, and think that the prospect for the future is good. The services are better attended now than at any time since I took charge, which is encouraging. We now occupy a room on the ground floor, which has been fitted up in a neat and church-like manner, and in which the services can be decently performed and in order. I purpose, God willing, to hold occasional services in Reading, two miles distant, and hope by next convention to have something to report from that town.

CHRIST CHURCH, WALTHAM.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, *Rector.*

MOSES E. OSGOOD, OTIS E. HUNT, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 12; Adults, 5; Total, 17. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Admitted, 15; Received, 9; Total Added, 24; Died, 2; Removed, 14; Total Lost, 17; Present Number, 138. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 16. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 13; Scholars, 130. Church: Value, \$9,000; Seatings, 500. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000; Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$13,000.



CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$197.81; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$1,917.16; Sunday School, \$100; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$594.16; Other Parochial Objects, \$213.18. Total for Objects within the Parish, \$3,021.84.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$45.00; Convention Fund, \$12.00; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25.00; Christian or Theological Education, \$40; For other Objects without the Parish, \$30.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$152.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50.00. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$35.00; Home Missions to Colored People, \$20.00; Indian Commission, \$20.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, 37.38; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$162.38.

Total of Contributions, \$3,337.22.

REMARKS.

Through the blessing of God we are enabled to report that this Parish was never in a more prosperous condition.

TRINITY CHURCH, WARE.

The Rev. B. W. ATWELL, *Rector.*

ADDISON SANDFORD, GEORGE H. WILSON, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 8. Communicants: Died, 1; Removed, 2; Total Lost, 3; Present Number, 54. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 3. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 3; Scholars, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$38.02; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$602; Parish Library, \$8.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$648.02.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$14.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$14.00.

Total of Contributions, \$662.02.

REMARKS.

I have officiated at Palmer every Sunday during the past year. Since the opening of the mission the numbers attending have diminished rather than increased, in the fact that another organization has been started, which divides the numbers that would otherwise attend upon the services.

CHURCH OF THE RECONCILIATION, WEBSTER.

The Rev. ROGER STRONG HOWARD, D. D., *Rector.*

JAMES H. HOWE, SAMUEL SLATER, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 10; Adults, 6; Total, 16. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 12; Received, 6; Total Added, 18; Died, 1; Re-

moved, 7; Total Lost, 8; Present Number, 66. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 3. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 13; Scholars, 80. Church: Value, \$12,000; Sitings, 320.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$58.87; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Collections in Church, \$2,288.33. Donations, \$125; Sunday School, \$77.00; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$683.97; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$3,233.17.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund (Interest on assessment of \$750), \$52.50; Convention Fund, \$15.00; Offerings of Sunday School, \$72.50; Central Convocation, \$15.50; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$155.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$28.40. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$74.96; Indian Missions, \$20.00; Missionary Bishops' Salaries, \$5.00. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$10.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$138.36.

Total of Contributions, \$3,527.03.

REMARKS.

The seats in this church are all free. The expenses are met by voluntary offerings.

The music is very impressively rendered by a choir of men and boys. The Sunday School is in a prosperous condition, and the services of the church very well attended.

CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT, WESTFIELD.

The Rev. JOHN FRANK WINKLEY, *Rector.*

Baptisms: Infants, 22; Adults, 13; Total, 35. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 6; Received, 20; Total Added, 26; Died, 5; Dropped, 6; Removed, 13; Total Lost, 24; Present Number, 71. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 5. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 7; Scholars, 45; Total, 52. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$25.00; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offering, \$457.66; Donations, \$100; Other Sources, Diocesan Board of Missions, \$500; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,082.66.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$14.50. *Domestic.* Indian Commission, \$3.63; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$18.13.

Total of Contributions, \$1,100.79.

REMARKS.

During the past year the parish has taken another step forward in that the Saints' Days have been observed with services and preaching, and

during Holy Week daily morning and evening prayer with preaching, as also on Good Friday and Thursday morning. I have preached in the hall one hundred and forty-six times; at Montgomery, once; at Southwich, four; and at funerals, five, making one hundred and fifty-six sermons, besides Bible class, Sunday School, and other addresses. My first report embraced all the confirmed in the list of communicants. Of such one hundred and forty have passed our way and many have gone away to other parts, and quite a number dropped from the count on account of their being identified with other communions, or not even occasional worshippers in church. Still our number has steadily increased, so that this year we report seventy-one *bona fide* communicants. Our average at the rail the first year was seven; the second year, thirteen; last year, eighteen; and the fullest, twenty-eight; and Easter, twenty-three. When we consider the fact that when we began most voices said, "You cannot plant Episcopacy in Westfield," I think the church may take courage and say, "The Lord hath done great things for us," for, though feeble, the church is; that is a fixed fact.

TRINITY CHURCH, WEYMOUTH.

The Rev. SAMUEL RUGGLES SLACK, *Rector*.

EDWARD AVERY, WILLIAM SPRAGUE WALLACE, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; Adults, 1; Total, 5. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 10; Received, 5; Total Added, 15; Died, 1; Withdrawn, 1; Removed, 5; Total Lost, 7; Present Number, 53. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 8; Scholars, 65. Postulant for Holy Orders, 1. Church: Value, \$5,500;ittings, 250. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$5,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$65.00; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$340 28; Sunday School, Banner, \$5 40; Books, \$10 00; Gifts, etc., \$30.00; Sunday School Library, by the Sunday School, \$25.29; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$175; Publishing Tracts, \$25.00; Papers, \$11.00; Towards Altar Cloth, \$5.00; Towards Parish Guild, \$3.50; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,195.47.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$11.13; Convention Fund, \$7.50; Christian or Theological Education, \$15.00; American Bible Society, \$17.00; American Bible Society, by Sunday School, to complete Life Membership, \$13.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$63.63.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19.11; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$19.11.

Total of Contributions, \$1,278.21.

REMARKS.

Of seventy-two communicants enrolled all have been dropped who are known to have removed or to reside at too great a distance to attend public worship. The Parish has had *no aid* from the Diocesan Board of Missions since the organization of the Board. It acknowledges gratefully aid rendered in former years under other missionary organizations, but has *voluntarily* relinquished such aid.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILKINSONVILLE.

The Rev. JAMES SAMUEL ELLIS, *Rector*.HARVEY DODGE, JEPHTHAH NEWTON, *Church Wardens*.

Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; Present Number, 50. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 5. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 7; Scholars, 50; Church Sitzings, \$250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$41.39; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary (by error this item was reported \$200 too much last year) \$135; Sunday School, \$22.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$598.39.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$26.25; Convention Fund, \$5.00; For a Missionary to the Jews, \$2.15; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$33.40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese*. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$18.00; Collection at Convocation, \$12 96. *Domestic*. Domestic Missions in general, \$12.20. *Foreign*. Foreign Missions in general, \$5.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$48.16.

Total of Contributions, \$680.15.

REMARKS.

About a year ago I commenced to hold services in the Town Hall at Millbury. Since the fall I have preached twice a month there. The congregations have averaged about twenty-five persons. There are eight communicants. As soon as the collections will cover the expenses of the services, it is hoped that a better hall can be had in which to worship than the one now used for that purpose.

ST. JOHN'S CHAPEL, WILLIAMSTOWN.

The Rev. ALBIN B. JENNINGS, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; Adults, 3; Total, 7. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Present Number, 40. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 5; Scholars, 20. Chapel: Value, \$2,000; Sitzings, 175.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

All Current Expenses, \$300.

Total of Contributions, \$300.

TRINITY CHURCH, WOBURN.

The Rev. SUMNER UPHAM SHEARMAN, *Rector*.JAMES FOLSOM, Sen., J. HENRY SYMONDS, Jr., *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; Adults, 4; Total, 14. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; Died, 1; Removed, 2; Total Lost, 3. Present Number, 52; Marriages, 4. Funerals, 10. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 6; Scholars, 34. Chapel: Value, \$7,000; Sitzings, 250. Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$7,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$72.82. All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$415.12; Subscriptions, \$283.50; Donations, \$50.00; Other Sources, \$252.03. Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,073.47.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$21.00; Convention Fund, \$6.00; Bishop White Monument Fund, \$3.00. Total for Objects without the Parish, \$30.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$21.00. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$2.92; Home missions to Colored People, \$2.92; Indian Commission, \$2.91. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$2.91. Total for Missionary Contributions, \$32.66.

Total of Contributions, \$1,136.13.

REMARKS.

This Parish, notwithstanding many hinderances, has gained decidedly the past year in church attendance and in Christian activity.

THE CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WOODS' HOLE.

The Rev. HIRAM CARLETON, *Rector.*

LEWIS SWIFT, CHARLES E. HATCH, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 1. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; Died, 1; Present Number, 27. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 4; Scholars, 17; Church Value, \$3,000; Total Valuation of the Property belonging to the Parish, \$4,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$119.86; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$499.35; Donations, \$100; Other Sources, \$100; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$818.71.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$6.60; Convention Fund, \$5.00; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$55.80; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$67.40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$56.59. Total for Missionary Contributions, \$56.59.

Total of Contributions, \$944.70.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. WILLIAM REED HUNTINGTON, D. D., *Rector.*

SUMNER PRATT, MELATIAH B. GREEN, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 38; Adults, 10; Total, 48. Confirmed, 30. Communicants: Admitted, 32; Received, 3; Total Added, 35; Died, 1; Removed, 6; Total Lost, 7; Present Number, 250. Marriages, 18. Funerals, 17. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 26; Scholars, 273.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$331.17; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Collections in Church, \$544.50; Subscriptions, \$4,997.99; Sunday School, \$100; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$35,666; Other Departments of Church Work, \$406.50; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$42,046.16.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$53.22. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$155; Mission to the Jews, \$20. Total for Missionary Contributions, \$228.22.

Total of Contributions, \$42,274.38.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. AMOS SKEELE, *Officiating Clergyman.*

H. L. PARKER, M. J. WHITTAL, *Church Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 8; Adults, 1; Total 9. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 2; Received, 6; Total Added, 8; Died, 1; Present Number, 38. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 19; Scholars, 141. Parochial School (Sewing School): Teachers, 2; Scholars, 20. Church Value, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$30.00; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$1,025.08; Sunday School, \$61.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,116.08.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$14.60; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$14.60.

Total of Contributions, \$1,130.68.

TRINITY CHURCH, WRENTHAM.

The Rev. ORLANDO FRARY STARKEY, *Rector.*

Baptisms: Adults, 1. Communicants: Present Number, 30. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 1. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 7; Scholars, 51.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$15.90; All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the Offering, \$1.169; Collections in Church, \$116; Sunday School, \$54.65; From the Ladies' Society, \$231.54; Contributions for Bell, \$261.94; Donation for Communion Plate, \$40.00; For Easter Festival, \$10.00; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,899.03.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$9.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — *Within the Diocese.* Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.00; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$10.00.

Total of Contributions, \$1,918.03.

The following report was received too late to be inserted in its proper place :—

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LANESBORO'.

The Rev. CHARLES COLLARD ADAMS, *Rector*.

JEDEDIAH W. NEWTON, JESSE CLOTHIER PRATT, *Church Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Died, 1; Present Number, 60. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 9. Sunday School: Officers and Teachers, 6; Scholars, 38.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All Current Expenses, including Rector's Salary, \$1,300; Collections in Church, \$51.55; Subscriptions, \$400; Total for Objects within the Parish, \$1,751.55.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$7.00; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese), \$10.07; Society Increase Ministry, \$1.00; Total for Objects without the Parish, \$18.07.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions (Two Contributions), \$11 45. *Domestic.* Domestic Missions in general, \$7.08. *Foreign.* Foreign Missions in general, \$10.81; Total for Missionary Contributions, \$29.26.

Total of Contributions, \$1,798.88.

REMARKS.

The Harvest Home Festival in September and the chief festivals of the Church Year have been duly observed. The reredos has been handsomely illuminated and altar-cloths added for the adornment of the chancel. It will be noted with gladness that the offerings for objects without the Parish are largely increased.

II.

PERSONAL REPORTS.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts:

During the last Conventional year, in addition to my duties as Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, I have officiated on Sundays at St. John's Chapel in Cambridge, and also at the McLean Asylum in Somerville.

ALEXANDER V. G. ALLEN.

May 17, 1876.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir :

I have to report that since the last Annual Convention I have not been in charge of a Parish, but have officiated as opportunity offered in Philadelphia and neighborhood.

SAMUEL RALPH ASBURY.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

During the past year I have been able to render occasional assistance in the public services of the church, to baptize two children, solemnize one funeral, administer the Holy Communion, preach once, and make several addresses.

WM. R. BABCOCK.

Narragansett, R. I., May 15, 1876.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Since the meeting of the last Convention the professional acts of the undersigned have been as follows : Officiated in Christ Church, Rochdale, one Sunday, and in the evening of the same day in a Hall in Cherry Valley ; assisted the Rector of Christ Church, Boston, by reading prayers four Sundays and preached for the same clergyman twice ; preached in St. John's Church, Charlestown, once ; in St. Thomas' Church, East Somerville, preached twice and assisted in the services once, — all in this Diocese. He has also officiated in St. John's Church, N. H., one Sunday. He has baptized two infants and has attended two funerals.

The History of the Church in this Diocese, mentioned in former reports, is about one half finished. The warm thanks of the undersigned are due, and are freely given, to those who have contributed money (some in large sums) to enable him to go on thus far with this work. He has, however, been compelled to suspend labor on this undertaking on account of the little success with which his applications for more funds have within the last few months been met. There is much that is both interesting and important in the History of the Church in this ancient Commonwealth, and it is highly desirable that the facts should be put into shape and published. But if more interest is not taken in promoting this enterprise the money and labor already expended will in a great measure be lost.

WM. S. BARTLET.

Scltuate Centre, May 18, 1876.

Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D. D. :

I was led, by domestic circumstances, to resign the Rectorship of St. John's Parish, North Adams, last May. Since that time, as these circumstances have permitted and opportunities have been offered, I have preached and officiated seventy-one times, viz. Seven times at North Adams ; eighteen times in Vermont ; seven times in the Diocese of New York ; three times in Brooklyn ; eight times in the Diocese of Pennsylvania ; twice in Virginia ; once in Washington ; four times in Georgetown, D. C., and twenty-one times in the Diocese of Florida.

E. H. CANFIELD.

Arlington, Vt., May 24, 1876.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

During the Conventional year just closed I have been enabled to discharge my duties as Chaplain to the City Institutions, South Boston,

without intermission or vacation. Since my last Report my Sunday labors have been somewhat lessened by the introduction of Roman Catholic worship in the forenoon, so that now I have only two services on Sunday, one at the Lunatic Hospital and one at the House of Correction. My duties on the week-days remain as before.

Since my last report I have baptized one infant, performed the marriage service seven times, and the funeral service ten times. These have all been recorded in the Parochial Records of St. Matthew's Church, South Boston.

Very respectfully,

JOSEPH H. CLINCH.

May 11, 1876.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

It is now more than a year that I have been absent from my diocese. Nearly all my time has been spent at Oxford in study. One has many opportunities here in the lectures in divinity which we are enabled to attend. My preaching work has been very little here. I had an opportunity of joining in the mission (Lenten) at Southampton with the approbation of the Bishop of Winchester, and by a special privilege I spent a quiet Holy Week and Easter at Hursley, amid the calming memories of the sweet poet of the Christian year. My outer work has been less because I have been unwell for some length of time.

I am most respectfully your son in the Lord,

F. COGGESHALL.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

With deep regret I report another year of entire disability from the failure of health.

A. CROSWELL.

Cambridge, May 17, 1876.

The Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts :

During the past year I have, when in Boston, assisted the Rector of St. Paul's Church at the administration of the Lord's Supper and on other occasions. I have solemnized four marriages and attended three funerals, two of which are reported among the statistics of St. Paul's Church. I have also endeavored to fulfil my commission to preach the gospel, so far as opportunities have presented, in the States of Vermont, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts.

Very respectfully,

SAMUEL CUTLER.

Boston, May 17, 1876.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts :

Dear Sir, — In making my annual report permit me to say that I have been employed during the past year in supplying vacant parishes and assisting various rectors in their labors. I have preached, I believe, every Sunday. For nearly three months I supplied Ascension Church, Fall River, where during Lent I held three and four week-day services and visited among the people daily during my stay among them. I have dur-

ing the year baptized twelve infants, married three couples, and committed three persons to the grave, "ashes to ashes, dust to dust," with blessed hope of a joyful resurrection.

I remain very dutifully yours,

GEORGE DENHAM.

Boston, May 16, 1876.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Since the last convention I have officiated as opportunities offered in various parishes both in this diocese and in the neighboring dioceses of New Hampshire and Connecticut, in all twenty-five Sundays. On the remaining Sundays in the year and on Saints' Days I have assisted in the services at St. Paul's Church, Newburyport, in which parish I have officiated at six funerals and baptized two children.

SAMUEL M. EMERY.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Right Reverend Father in God,—I beg to report that for the last year, as for the last seven years, I have been living at my house, in Westborough, and have preached and administered the Sacraments in several Parishes in this and other Dioceses, as the kindness of my clerical brethren gave me occasion.

I am, Right Reverend Father, faithfully yours,

H. W. FAY.

Westborough, May 17, 1876.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

The undersigned respectfully reports that he has officiated on Sundays and other Holy Days, as occasion offered, and the following special services : baptisms, 11 ; marriages, 1 ; burials, 3.

F. S. FISHER.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

It gives me pleasure to report performance of clerical duty on a goodly number of the Sundays of the year.

I have frequently administered the Sacraments both of Baptism and the Lord's Supper. The Baptisms are recorded in the Registers of the Parishes where they were performed.

I have officiated in the several churches of Cambridge, in St. Paul's, Malden, and St. John's, Charlestown.

F. A. FOXCROFT.

Cambridge, May 17, 1876.

Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts :

My Dear Bishop,—I am still of infirm health, and have been during the past year. Consequently have no occasional services to report, except one baptism.

It can hardly be necessary for me to say that, not having been able to walk for a long time, and otherwise decrepit, I shall find myself denied the privilege of attending the Convention to be held on the 17th inst.

Very respectfully, etc.

F. FREEMAN.

Sandwich, May 15, 1876.



Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have the honor to report that after the date of my last report I continued to hold regular services at Fort Warren, Boston Harbor, till the last Sunday in June; that on the twenty-fifth day of June I received orders from the Secretary of War transferring me from Fort Warren, Mass., to Fort Monroe, Virginia; that since my arrival here I have held services twice every Sunday, and once every holy day, administered the Holy Communion every month, also on Christmas and Easter; that I have baptized twelve (12) persons, have married five (5) couples, and have officiated at six (6) funerals. Very respectfully, your obt. servt.,

OSGOOD E. HERRICK,
Post Chaplain U. S. Army.

Fortress Monroe, Virginia, May 17, 1876.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, S. T. D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,—During the last Conventional Year I have officiated publicly nearly every Sunday. I have celebrated the Holy Eucharist sixty-one times, including five private Communion for the sick. I have performed the Burial Office thirty-one times, have baptized twenty-five children, and have solemnized six marriages. For a part of the year I officiated at St. Margaret's Church, Brighton, but have also performed services in about a dozen other churches. In one instance I travelled two hundred and fifty miles to supply a frontier church; again as far in another direction, and yet again more than three hundred miles for the purpose of officiating. I have fulfilled five special appointments for sermons and essays at the request of different bodies of the Clergy, and in fact have been as much employed in sacred duties as at any period of my ministry. I should not have thought it necessary to mention these particulars but for some remarks in the debate at the Convention of 1875 bearing upon the unbeneficed Clergy of the Diocese, as unwilling to take their share of the labors of the sacred office.

I am very respectfully your servant for Christ's sake,

N. HOPPIN, *Presbyter.*

Cambridge, May 17, 1876.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir :

My last report was made from Marquette, Lake Superior, Mich., where I remained until the 1st of September, officiating as occasion required, and doing missionary work in the neighborhood. I have read service in Marquette thirty-nine times, preached fourteen times, administered the Holy Communion three times, baptized one and buried one. At the East I have officiated eight times, and preached four times. I left for the West with my nervous system seriously deranged, but continued to officiate until I broke down during the morning service. I am at present residing in Germantown.

I am yours very sincerely,

JOSEPH KIDDER.

Germantown, May 10, 1876.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have to report that for the last conventional year I have officiated as a temporary supply in the Dioceses of Massachusetts, Maine, and Rhode Island.

G. S. PAINÉ.

Worcester, May 16, 1876.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have officiated as opportunity offered. Baptism, 1; Funeral, 1.

EDMUND B. PALMER.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

I have officiated the past year where services have been required and desired from me. These services become now annually less and less. This is not from any indisposition on my part to render them, but from the flight of years over me. The parishes prefer the young men, hence, to them we must consign the care of them; if they have wisdom to rightly divide the word of God we are glad; if they so preach as to save themselves and those that hear them we are yet more glad: but still some gladness might come to the old Clergy did they not see their services set aside by the church before their powers for usefulness are utterly wasted.

But Zion is subjected to the same divine law that rules with individuals. As she sows so she must reap.

My contributions to what I have viewed as ecclesiastical objects with the widow and fatherless and "Orphan Home," at Cambridge, have been \$196. This seemed more than I was able to give, as I have not received one cent from the church the past year for various services rendered her. But would Zion have more given her she must not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. When will distributive pecuniary justice be had in the Church? One is fed to repletion and another, equally worthy, is left without a gift. Hall, Jerusalem above! our longing eyes look out to thee.

DEXTER POTTER.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir :

I would state that in the past diocesan year I have assisted Rev. Mr. Rowland, of Grace Church, New Bedford, on two Sundays,— one the day of your visitation, and the second the Sunday following. I have performed one marriage service, and discharged the daily duties of principal of the High School in this place. At the present time, however, I am not engaged and can supply if my labors are needed.

I am, with sincere regards, yours in Christ,

DANIEL S. C. M. POTTER.

Mattapoisett, Plymouth County, Mass., May 24, 1876.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

I respectfully report that since my resignation of St. Mary's Church, Newton Lower Falls, on November 30, I have officiated in New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, and other places, as opportunities have offered, and that from the middle of Lent until the present time I have been engaged in labors on Sundays and some other days at St. Paul's Church, Paterson, New Jersey.

RICHARD F. PUTNAM.

New York, May 13, 1876.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I beg leave to report that during the past year I have continued to fulfil the duties belonging to my position as Secretary of the Indian Commission of our Church.

Very respectfully,

ROBT. C. ROGERS.

No. 30 Bible House, New York, May 16, 1876.

To the Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D. D. :

During the past year I have been constantly engaged in teaching. I have performed no clerical duties except preaching five sermons in the Diocese of Vermont during my last summer vacation.

CARLOS SLAFTER.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D. :

I have preached in behalf of the American Bible Society during the past Conventional year in the following Churches, viz. St. John's Church, Northampton; Grace Church, Amherst; St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge; Trinity Church, Lenox; St. Luke's Church, Chelsea; St. John's Church, East Boston; St. Matthew's Church, South Boston; St. John's Church, Cambridge; St. James' Church, South Groveland; Trinity Church, Haverhill; Grace Church, Lawrence; St. Stephen's Church, Portland, Me.; St. Andrew's Church, Hanover; St. Peter's Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Church of the Ascension, Ipswich; St. Thomas' Church, East Somerville; St. George's Church, Astoria, N. Y.; St. James' Church, N. Y.; Grace Church, Whitestone, N. Y.; Zion Church, Newport, R. I.; St. Michael's Church, Bristol, R. I.; Christ Church, Lonsdale, R. I.; St. John's Church, Ash-ton, R. I.; St. Paul's Church, Dedham; St. Mary's Church, Dorchester; St. Anne's Church, Lincoln; St. Mary's Church, Boston; Christ Church, Boston; Emmanuel Church, Boston; St. Paul's Church, Boston; St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain; St. Paul's Church, Malden; St. James' Church, Boston Highlands, and St. Paul's Church, Brookline, together with numerous other addresses on the dissemination of the Holy Scriptures. Besides these duties I have sent out over 1,400 letters and 1,350 printed statements giving information on the subject. I have received an unusual number of encouraging and cordial responses both from the clergy and laity.

EDMUND F. SLAFTER.

Boston, May 17, 1876.

My labors during the year have been those of Professor and Dean of Faculty in our Theological School at Cambridge, and occasional preaching in St. John's Memorial Chapel. These labors close from this date. There being no Parish in connection with the school there is no Parochial Report to be made.

JOHN S. STONE, *Presbyter.*

Cambridge, May 4, 1876.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

In conformity with the requisitions of the Diocesan Canon I have to report that I have officiated in the regular performance of my priestly duties every Sunday during the last year, principally at St. Mark's Church, in this city, and occasionally at the other churches in Orange (Grace Church, Christ Church, and the Holy Innocents), giving such assistance as was desired in reading, preaching, and the administration of the Holy Eucharist.

Having been retired, on account of age, from active service in the Navy, I have performed no duties pertaining to my chaplaincy.

Very respectfully,

JOHN LEE WATSON,
Chaplain U. S. Navy.

Orange, New Jersey, May 16, 1876.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

During the year now ended I have as usual been engaged in the duties of my professorship in the Cambridge Theological School, and have also officiated in the services of the Church on nearly every Sunday, either in the Chapel of the School or in other churches.

P. H. STEENSTRA.

May 16, 1876.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D. :

My Dear Bishop, — My age and my health are such that I trust you will excuse my very meagre report of my official doings for the past year. I have assisted my brethren in their services as from time to time they were required. Missionary contributions, home, and diocesan, \$55.00. I have baptized five children, married six couples, have administered the Holy Communion to the sick twice, and buried two.

I am, Rt. Rev. Sir, with great respect and love,

Your friend and servant,

E. M. P. WELLS.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

The undersigned respectfully reports that in addition to his duties at the seminary he has officiated, with but few exceptions, on the Sundays and Holy Days during the past conventional year either at the Seminary chapel or at mission or other stations.

FRANCIS WHARTON.

Cambridge, May 12, 1876.

To the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I hereby respectfully report that during the past convention year I have ministered at two hundred and fifteen or more services, including Sundays, Lenten and Holy Day services, missionary and other meetings in and out of the diocese. I have performed the various offices of infant and adult baptism, of marriage, churching of women, private communion, visitation of the sick, burial, etc. I have also assisted at a few services of convocation, confirmation, and institution. I have addressed or catechised the Sunday School eighteen times, lectured to parishes and Sunday School on religious topics, and I have made (by estimation) at least two hundred calls on the sick and needy and for pastoral purposes. Since February I have helped conduct the services of the Episcopal City Mission, of Boston, at St. Stephen's and Grace Chapel.

WM. C. WINSLOW.

Boston, May 17, 1876.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF JOSEPH W. CLARK, TREASURER.

1875.			
Apr. 27.	To balance Cash on hand		\$386 21
	CONTRIBUTIONS.		
" 28.	From Convention Collection	\$77 66	
July 13.	St. Thomas' Church, Taunton	69 81	
Nov. 29.	Church of the Messiah, Boston	52 60	
Dec. 28.	Grace Church, Lawrence	28 00	
" 29.	Grace Church, Newton	5 00	
" "	St. George's Church, Lee	5 48	
" 31.	Christ Church, Quincy	6 97	
" "	St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge	39 07	
1876.			
Jan. 4.	St. James' Church, Greenfield	15 28	
" 6.	St. Andrew's Church, Hanover	25 18	
Feb. 2.	Christ Church, Andover	17 00	
" 4.	Church of Our Saviour, Longwood	157 58	
" 12.	St. Luke's Church, Lancaster	10 07	
Mar. 9.	Christ Church, Hyde Park	10 85	
" 29.	St. James' Church, North Cambridge	7 70	
Apr. 26.	Christ Church, Fitchburg	12 08	
" 27.	J. W. Clark, through Emmanuel Church, Boston	200 00	
May 3.	Christ Church, Springfield	10 00	
" 5.	St. Thomas' Church, Taunton	64 84	
" "	Grace Church, Fiskdale	5 00	
" 10.	Christ Church, Cambridge	18 71	
" "	St. Paul's Church, Dedham	27 00	
			\$360 06
	INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS.		
1875.			
July 3.	Coupons on \$6,000, 7½, Missisquoi Bonds	\$210 00	
" "	" " 1,000, 8½, Burlington & Missouri	40 00	
" "	" " 500, 6½, U. S. Gold Bonds	17 55	
Oct. 1.	" " 2,000, 7½, Burlington & Missouri Land Grant Bonds	70 00	
1876.			
Jan. 1.	" " 6,000, 7½, Missisquoi Bonds	210 00	
" "	" " 1,000, 8½, Burlington & Missouri	40 00	
" "	" " 500, 6½, U. S. Gold Bonds	16 93	
Apr. 5.	" " 2,000, 7½, Burlington & Missouri Land Grant Bonds	70 00	
			\$674 48
	DONATIONS.		\$2,400 37
1875.			
Apr. 28.	To Beneficiary No. 4	\$100 00	
" "	" " No. 1	100 00	
" "	" " No. 3	100 00	
" "	" " No. 2	150 00	
" "	" " No. 6	250 00	
Nov. 20.	" " No. 4	100 00	
" "	" " No. 1	100 00	
" "	" " No. 3	100 00	
" "	" " No. 2	150 00	
1876.			
Feb. 16.	" " No. 5	100 00	
			\$1,260 00
May 16.	Cash on hand		\$1,150 85

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THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS, *in account*

By balance from last year	\$515 88
By assessment of St. James' Church, Amesbury	7 00
" " Grace Church, Amherst	12 00
" " Christ Church, Andover	15 00
" " St. John's Church, Ashfield	2 00
" " Grace Church, North Attleborough	10 50
" " St. Peter's Church, Beverly	10 00
" " Church of the Advent, Boston	30 00
" " Christ Church, Boston	15 00
" " Emmanuel Church, Boston	80 00
" " Church of the Messiah, Boston	35 00
" " St. Margaret's Church, Brighton	8 00
" " St. James' Church, Roxbury	30 00
" " St. John's Church, Roxbury	15 00
" " St. Mary's Church, Dorchester	25 00
" " St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain	25 00
" " St. John's Church, Charlestown	20 00
" " St. Matthew's Church, South Boston	30 00
" " St. Paul's Church, Boston	60 00
" " Trinity Church, Boston	80 00
" " St. Paul's Church, Brookline	31 00
" " Church of our Saviour, Longwood	20 00
" " Christ Church, Cambridge	5 00
" " St. Peter's Church, Cambridgeport	24 00
" " St. James' Church, North Cambridge	5 00
" " St. James' Church, Groveland	10 00
" " St. Paul's Church, Dedham	20 00
" " St. Philip's Church, Easthampton	4 50
" " Church of the Ascension, Fall River	17 50
" " Grace Church, Fitchburg	10 00
" " Christ Church, Fitchburg	16 00
" " St. John's Church, Framingham	8 00
" " St. John's Church, Gloucester	1 00
" " St. James' Church, Great Barrington	12 00
" " St. James' Church, Greenfield	12 50
" " St. Andrew's Church, Hanover	12 00
" " Trinity Church, Haverhill	15 00
" " St. Paul's Church, Holyoke	20 00
" " Christ Church, Hyde Park	18 00
" " Grace Church, Lawrence	18 00
" " St. George's Church, Lee	5 75
" " St. Anne's Church, Lowell	20 00
" " St. John's Church, Lowell	15 00
" " St. Stephen's Church, Lynn	20 00
" " St. Paul's Church, Malden	15 00
" " St. Michael's Church, Marblehead	12 00
" " Grace Church, Medford	20 00
" " Trinity Church, Milford	12 00
" " Grace Church, New Bedford	20 00
" " St. Paul's Church, Newburyport	20 00
" " Grace Church, Newton	25 00
" " St. John's Church, North Adams	10 00
" " St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield	13 75
" " Christ Church, Quincy	13 00
" " St. Peter's Church, Salem	20 00
" " Grace Church, Salem	16 00
" " Christ Church, Sheffield	2 50
" " Emmanuel Church, Somerville	15 00
" " St. Mark's Church, Southborough	8 00
" " Christ Church, Springfield	30 00
" " St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge	15 00
" " Christ Church, Swansea	4 00
" " St. Thomas' Church, Taunton	25 00
" " Trinity Church, Vandalia	2 50
" " Christ Church, Waltham	13 00
" " Church of the Reconciliation, Webster	15 00
" " Trinity Church, Weymouth	7 50
" " St. Mark's Church, South Adams	10 00
" " Trinity Church, Woburn	6 00
" " Church of the Messiah, Wood's Hole	5 00
" " All Saints' Church, Worcester	40 00
" " St. Anne's Church, Lincoln	5 00
" " St. James' Church, South Groveland	10 00
" " St. Thomas' Church, East Somerville	6 00
	\$1,781

The following Parishes have failed to comply with the Canon on the Diocesan Fund:—
 St. Mary's Church for Sailors, Boston; St. John's Church, East Boston; Trinity Church, Bridgewater; St. Luke's Church, Chelsea; Calvary Church, Danvers; St. Luke's Church, Lakesborough; St. John's Church, Lawrence; Trinity Church, Melrose; St. John's Church, Millville; Church of the Messiah, West Newton; St. Mary's Church, Newton Lower Falls; St. John's Church, Northampton; Christ Church, Rochdale; St. John's Church, Taunton; St. John's Church, Wilkesbarre; Christ Church, Wrentham; All Saints' Church, Dorchester; Church of the Ascension, Fall River.

DR. JOHN H. STURGIS, *Treasurer, in account with the Society for*

		Charity.	Annuity.
1875.			
April 27,	To cash balance N. E. Trust Co.	\$308 72	\$868 20
" 27,	" Rev. J. H. Clinch, D. D., annuity		10 00
" 28,	" " J. I. T. Coolidge, D. D. "		15 00
" 28,	" Col. T. T. S. Laidley " (donation)		25 00
" 28,	" Rev. T. R. Lambert, D. D. "		25 00
" 29,	" S. Fitzgerald, interest on mortgage	219 00	
May 15,	" W. P. Kuhn, trustee, interest on mortgage	52 50	
" 15,	" Interest on investments		248 00
" 26,	" 2 notes of S. Fitzgerald, \$8,000, and interest, \$30 paid up,	6,080 00	
June 19,	" Bishop Paddock, from Trinity Church, Wrentham	3 28	
" 19,	" " St. Paul's, Holyoke	12 25	
" 19,	" Net proceeds \$30 gold, interest on U. S. \$500 bond	35 10	
" 25,	" Interest on deposit N. E. Trust Co.	81 84	
July 3,	" Interest on investments	368 15	
" 8,	" "		158 50
" 6,	" Rev. Lewis Green		1 00
" 7,	" " W. H. Mills		25 00
" 14,	" Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D. D.		25 00
" 14,	" Interest on U. S. bond	17 13	
" 23,	" Rev. Lewis Green		10 00
Oct. 25,	" B. Howard's Sons for account Rev. W. R. Babcock, D. D.		25 00
" 25,	" Rev. J. Mulcahey		25 00
Nov. 2,	" Dividends on investments		368 00
Oct. 25,	" A. T. Brown, collection St. James', Roxbury	81 73	
Nov. 2,	" Rev. R. C. Rogers		25 00
" 19,	" Interest on investments	850 00	248 00
Dec. 23,	" "	16 87	
" 28,	" " N. E. Trust Co. deposits	10 43	
" 31,	" Rev. G. W. Shinn for Rev. Geo. Walker		5 00
" 31,	" Justin Field		25 00
1876.			
Jan. 3,	" Interest on investments		86 35
" 4,	" "	889 23	804 06
" 6,	" "	253 12	
" 19,	" Rev. A. Groswell		20 00
" 19,	" T. S. Tyng, St. James', N. Cambridge	24 70	
Feb. 9,	" W. W. Morland, M. D.	50 00	
" 25,	" Church of Our Saviour, Longwood	96 00	
March 29,	" Rev. Theodore Edson, D. D.		25 00
April 25,	" Thomas F. Fales		25 00
" 25,	" T. Logan Murphy, Christ Church, Fitchburg	7 10	
" 4,	" Alexander Burgess, D. D.		10 00
" 1,	" Dividends on investments		276 00
May 1,	" Rev. J. I. T. Coolidge, D. D.		15 00
" 1,	" George Packard		25 00
" 1,	" Howard Stockton, membership, 2 years	2 00	
" 3,	" Rev. Henry Burroughs, annuity		5 00
" 8,	" Martin Brimmer, membership	1 00	
" 8,	" Trinity Church, Boston	5 00	
" 10,	" W. P. Kuhn, interest on mortgage F. H. Simpson	52 50	
" 10,	" Rev. Alexander Burgess, D. D.	82 80	
" 10,	" Donations (W. C. Lovering, \$5)	6 00	
" 10,	" (should appear December, 1875)	2 60	
" 15,	" Rev. Thomas R. Lambert, S. T. D.		25 00
" 15,	" Balance to new account	336 12	
		\$9,344 97	\$3,448 11

The undersigned have examined the foregoing account, and find it to be correctly cast and properly vouched, and that there is a balance of \$1,231.78 deposited at the credit of the Society in the New England Trust Company corresponding with the balance stated as on hand. We have also seen the evidences of property on hand belonging to the Society, amounting in all, at par value, to \$71,524.23.

BOSTON, May 16, 1876.

 JOS. S. FAY,
 FRANCIS C. FOSTER, } *Committee.*

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		Charity.	Annuity.
1875.			
April 23,	By charges for collection, N. E. Trust Co.	\$ 30
May 15,	" " " " " " " " " " " "	\$ 45
" 21,	" Rev. N. G. Allen, on surrender of his book . . . . .	. . . . .	20 00
June 21,	" J. Howard Barnard, printing circulars	7 00	. . . . .
" 23,	" Rt. Rev. F. D. Huntington, D.D., on surrender of his book,	. . . . .	125 00
" 23,	" " M. A. De W. Howe, D.D., " " " " " "	. . . . .	50 00
" 25,	" Rev. Benjamin B. Babblitt, " " " " " "	. . . . .	90 00
" 26,	" Samuel Fuller, D. D., " " " " " "	. . . . .	130 00
" 28,	" W. G. Hawkins, " " " " " "	. . . . .	5 00
" 30,	" George D. Wildes, D. D., " " " " " "	. . . . .	15 00
" 30,	" Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Vall, D. D., " " " " " "	. . . . .	30 00
July 1,	" Stamps	7 00	. . . . .
" 1,	" Certain widows, charity	500 00	. . . . .
" 1,	" annuities . . . . .	. . . . .	50 00
1874.			
Dec. 4,	" Rent of security box, June 1, 1874, to June 1, 1875 . . .	20 00	. . . . .
1875.			
July 3,	" " " " 1, 1875, to June 1, 1876 . . .	20 00	. . . . .
June 26,	" Eastern Railroad sinking funds, \$7,000 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ @ 91 $\frac{1}{2}$, @6, $\frac{1}{2}$ } 422.50; int. 1 mo., 23 d., @74.86; commission, @17.50, }	6,514 86	. . . . .
July 10,	" Rev. John Woart, on surrender of his book . . . . .	. . . . .	30 00
" 15,	" Rt. Rev. Horatio Southgate, D.D., on surrender of his book	. . . . .	150 00
" 24,	" Rev. W. R. Nicholson, D. D., " " " " " "	. . . . .	150 00
" 24,	" Elliott Tomkins, " " " " " "	. . . . .	50 00
Oct. 1,	" Mrs. R. S. Flower	50 00	. . . . .
" 1,	" Certain widows, charity	550 00	. . . . .
Nov. 16,	" " " annuities . . . . .	. . . . .	50 00
" 24,	" " " charity	50 00	. . . . .
" 24,	" " " annuity . . . . .	. . . . .	50 00
1876.			
Jan. 1,	" " " " " " " " " " " "	. . . . .	50 00
" 1,	" " " " " " " " " " " "	550 00	. . . . .
April 1,	" " " " " " " " " " " "	600 00	. . . . .
" 1,	" " " " " " " " " " " "	. . . . .	50 00
" 1,	" " " " " " " " " " " "	. . . . .	50 00
Jan. 4,	" Div. Mass. Hosp. Life Ins. Co. pol. 3,848 added to principal 4,245	424 23	. . . . .
" 4,	" Collections N. E. Trust Co., 1875, May 6, Nov. 19 . . .	. . . . .	70
" 4,	" " " " 1876, " " " " " " " " " " " "	40	. . . . .
" 4,	" W. S. Bartlett, printing, etc. (should appear April, '75),	51 18	. . . . .
" 4,	" Balance to new account . . . . .	. . . . .	1,567 90
		\$9,844 97	\$3,448 11

JOHN H. STURGIS,
Treasurer.

Boston, May 16, 1876.

DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

	RECEIPTS.	No. of Offerings.	Amounts.
From Amesbury, St. James' Parish		3	\$22 50
Amherst, Grace		1	21 00
Andover, Christ		2	30 00
Ashfield, St. John's		3	14 50
Beverly, St. Peter's		2	10 00
Boston, Advent		2	155 74
" All Saints', Dorchester		2	30 36
" Christ		2	21 30
" Emmanuel		2	1,245 70
" Good Shepherd		2	20 93
" Grace, Mattapan		1	2 36
" Messiah		3	66 22
" St. James'		1	69 45
" St. John's, Highland		1	15 65
" St. John's, East Boston		1	5 00
" St. John's, Charlestown (from "Mite Chest,"			
\$23.10)		1	40 10
" St. John's, Jamaica Plain		1	20 70
" St. Margaret's, Brighton		2	18 93
" St. Mark's		1	76 21
" St. Mary's Free Church for Sailors		1	5 25
" St. Mary's, Dorchester		2	107 37
" St. Paul's		2	878 67
" St. Stephen's		1	5 00
" Trinity		2	1,250 25
Bridgewater, Trinity		2	30 68
Brockton, St. Paul's Mission		1	7 00
Brookline, St. Paul's		1	161 13
Cambridge, Christ		2	77 74
" St. James'		2	19 30
" St. Peter's		1	5 00
" East, Ascension Mission		2	25 00
Chelsea, St. Luke's		1	31 50
Cherry Valley, Mission		1	2 50
Clinton, Mission		2	31 63
Danvers, Calvary		2	18 75
Dedham, St. Paul's		2	138 00
Easthampton, St. Philip's		2	16 00
Fall River, Ascension		1	6 57
Fiskdale, Grace		2	10 00
Fitchburg, Christ		1	83 79
Framingham, St. John's		2	25 81
Gloucester, St. John's		3	19 45
Greenfield, St. James'		2	37 40
Hanover, St. Andrew's		3	39 35
Haverhill, Trinity		2	24 35
Holyoke, St. Paul's		3	100 00
Hopkinton, St. Paul's		2	19 70
Hyde Park, Christ		3	46 05
Ipswich, Ascension		2	10 00
Lanesborough, St. Luke's		1	6 64
Lawrence, Grace		3	127 36
Lee, St. George's		2	24 00
Lincoln, St. Anne's		1	11 75
Longwood, Our Saviour		2	264 40
Lowell, St. Anne's		12	341 29
" St. John's		2	60 00
Lynn, St. Stephen's		1	25 00
Malden, St. Paul's		4	21 13
" " (Eastern Convocation)			8 19
Marblehead, St. Michael's		2	33 15
Marlborough, Mission		1	5 00
Medford, Grace		2	37 80
Amount carried forward			\$6,094 77

	No. of Offerings.	Amounts.
<i>Amount brought forward</i>		\$8,094 77
From Milford, Trinity	2	45 00
Milville, St. John's	1	10 00
Nantucket, St. Paul's	1	8 75
Natick, St. Paul's	1	10 00
New Bedford, Grace	2	24 31
" (Southern Convocation)		25 69
Newton, Grace	2	30 63
" Messiah	2	20 62
North Adams, St. John's	2	43 47
North Attleborough, Grace	2	36 00
Northampton, St. John's	1	8 00
Palmer, St. Paul's Mission	2	7 73
Peabody, St. Paul's Mission	2	8 00
Plymouth, Christ	1	10 50
Quincy, Christ	2	33 36
Rochdale, Christ	2	13 30
Salem, Grace	2	79 06
" St. Peter's	1	33 35
Sheffield, Christ	2	59 72
Somerville, St. Thomas'	2	21 36
South Adams, St. Mark's	2	20 80
Southborough, St. Mark's	2	92 00
South Groveland, St. James'	2	15 54
Springfield, Christ	4	288 02
Swansea, Christ	3	25 00
Taunton, St. John's	1	12 50
" St. Thomas'	2	149 55
Van Deusenville, Trinity	2	57 22
Wakefield, Emmanuel	1	5 00
Waltham, Christ	2	50 00
Ware, Trinity	1	7 00
Webster, Reconciliation	2	28 40
Westfield, Ascension	3	14 50
Weymouth, Trinity	2	19 11
Williamstown, St. John's	2	19 15
Wilkinsonville, St. John's	2	18 00
Woburn, Trinity	2	21 14
Wood's Hole, Messiah	2	55 69
Worcester, All Saints'	2	63 25
" All Saints' (Central Convocation)		16 10
" St. Matthew's	1	14 60
Wrentham, Trinity	1	10 00
		<hr/> \$7,611 68
From Dividend on Bank Stock		\$55 00
Individual Gifts.—Miss S. F. Daniell, \$20.00; Samuel Elliott, \$100.00; Rev. Dr. E. M. P. Wells, \$10.00; Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D. D., \$50.00; E. H. Sampson, \$50.00; Thos. J. Lee, \$25.00		255 00
Special Gifts.—To discharge Loans, \$3,100; for Special Appropriation to Parishes, \$476; for Final Extinction ment of Debt, \$1,375.35		4,950 35
		<hr/> \$5,260 35
		<hr/> \$12,872 03

PAYMENTS.

	Amounts.
To Amesbury, St. James' Parish	\$300 00
Ashfield, St. John's	300 00
Boston, East, St. John's, special	100 00
Bridgewater, Trinity (including East Bridgewater)	199 67
Brighton, St. Margaret's	100 00
Brockton, St. Paul's Mission	492 83
Cambridge, East, Ascension Mission	287 50
Chelmsford, Emmanuel	191 66
Clinton, Mission	366 66
Danvers, Calvary	400 00
Dorchester L. Mills, All Saints'	216 66
Easthampton, St. Philip's	200 00
<i>Amount carried forward</i>	\$3,164 33

	Amounts.
<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$3,154 83
To Framingham, St. John's	186 64
Gloucester, St. John's	400 00
Hopkinton, St. Paul's (including Marlborough)	137 50
Lee, St. George's	500 00
Millford, Trinity	400 00
Nantucket, St. Paul's	418 65
Natuck, St. Paul's	486 00
North Attleborough, Grace	300 00
Otis, St. Paul's	32 00
Palmer, St. Paul's Mission	99 99
Peabody, St. Paul's	300 35
" " Special for erection of Chapel	100 00
Rochdale, Christ (including Cherry Valley Mission)	325 00
Sheffield, Christ	250 00
Somerville, St. Thomas's	350 00
Swansea, Christ	400 00
Van Deusenville, Trinity	250 00
Ware, Trinity	549 99
Wakefield, Emmanuel	100 00
Westfield, Atonement	500 00
West Newton, Messiah	383 32
Wilkinsonville, St. John's	199 99
" " Special for Work at Millbury	75 00
Williamstown, St. John's	250 00
Woburn, Trinity	400 00
Wood's Hole, Messiah	300 00
Wrentham, Trinity	250 00
Balance from Account of 1874-75	— \$11,077 76
Expenses,—Secretary's Expense Account, \$3.00; Expenses of Missionary Meetings, \$37.30; Interest Account, \$57.45; Publication and Distribution of "The Diocese," \$540; Treasurer's Expense Account, \$232.09	924 43
	869 84
	<u>\$12,872 03</u>

J. S. BLATCHFORD, *Treasurer.*

APPENDIX C.

I Standing Order of Business, and Rules of Order of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts.

I. STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY OF THE SESSION.

A. M.

After Morning Prayer, Sermon, or Charge, and the administration of the Holy Communion, the President will take the chair, when the order of procedure shall be as follows:—

I. 1. The Secretary shall call over the names of the Clergy entitled to seats and votes, and of those entitled only to seats, from a list presented by the Bishop, and shall receive the certificates of Lay Delegates as the names of the Parishes are called.

2. The President will appoint a Committee on Qualifications, to receive, examine, and report upon the list of the Clergy and the credentials of the Lay Delegates, after which a recess may be taken.

P. M.

II. 1. The Committee on Qualifications shall report.

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Lay Delegates, as the same shall have been approved by the Convention.

3. A constitutional quorum of both Orders being present the President shall declare the Convention organized for business.

4. The election of a Secretary (who shall have power to appoint an Assistant) and of a Treasurer.

5. The reading of the Rules of Order of the last Convention.

6. The appointment by the President of five Standing Committees, viz. a Committee on the admission of new Parishes; a Committee on the Constitution and Canons,—to consist each of five members, three Clergymen, and two Laymen; an Executive Committee, for nominating the Preachers of Sermons before this Body, and for recommending the time and place of holding the Convention,—to consist of three members, two Clergymen, and one Layman; a Committee on Unfinished Business and a Committee of Finance,—to consist each of three members, one Clergyman, and two Laymen.

7. The receiving and referring of papers in respect to the admission of new Parishes.

III. The annual address of the Bishop, unless he should prefer another time for its delivery; if so, it shall be in order at any time.

IV. Reports and action upon the same, in the following order :—

1. Report from the Treasurer of the Convention.
2. Report from the Registrar of the Convention.
3. Report from the Special Committees appointed at the preceding Convention.
4. Report from the Committee on new Parishes, the admission of the Parishes, and the reception of their Lay Delegates.
5. Report from the Standing Committee.
6. Report from the several Missionary Organizations and Church Aid Societies.
7. Report from the Episcopal Church Association.
8. Report from the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.
9. Report from the Trustees of Donations.
10. Report from the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society.
11. Report from the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.
12. Report from the Episcopal Clerical Fund.
13. Report from the Finance Committee.
14. Report from the Committee on Unfinished Business.
15. Report from the Executive Committee.
16. Parochial Reports to be presented to the Bishop.

If any report be not ready in the order prescribed above, more time may be allowed, and it shall be presented and be in order at the first vacancy in the regular business after it shall be prepared.

V. Miscellaneous Business, such as proposed changes in the Constitution and Canons, matters to be referred to Special or other Committees, Resolutions, etc.

SECOND DAY OF THE SESSION.

After Devotional Exercises, at 9 A. M.,

1. 1. Reading and approval of the Minutes of the previous day.
2. Report from the Committee on Qualifications of members not present nor reported on the preceding day, the names of such Clergymen and the Credentials of such Lay Delegates having been previously handed to the Secretary, and by him referred to said Committee.
3. The calling of the roll of members.
- II. The finishing of the business, if any, which was under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Convention.
- III. The disposal of the unfinished business in the order above prescribed for the first day.

IV. Miscellaneous Business.

V. Elections at 11 o'clock, A. M., in the following order :—

1. Election of Deputies to the General Convention.
2. Election of Registrar.
3. Election of Standing Committee.
4. Election of Trustees (nominated) of the General Theological Seminary.

5. Election of Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

6. Election of Committee on entertaining the Clerical members of the Convention.

VI. 1. Report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, and action thereon.

2. Reports of Special or other Committees on matters referred to them during the Session, and action thereon.

VII. Miscellaneous Business.

VIII. At 5 o'clock, P. M., the Convention shall be resolved into a Committee of the Whole on the state of the Church, and to hear missionary and other addresses on topics pertaining thereto, from members and others present at the Session of the Convention.

IX. The reading and approval of the Minutes.

X Singing, Prayers, Benediction by the Bishop, or in his absence by the Senior Presbyterian present. Adjournment *sine die*.

THIRD OR OTHER SUBSEQUENT DAY OF THE SESSION.

I. Devotional Exercises, Reading, etc., of the Minutes, reception of new members, calling of the roll, and finishing of business under consideration at last adjournment, as on the second day.

II. The disposal of the Unfinished Business of the Convention in the order above prescribed.

II. RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I. When the President takes the Chair no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

No member shall absent himself from the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

When any member is about to speak, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house, nor more than once until others desiring to speak shall have spoken.

While the President is putting any question the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put shall vote, unless he be personally interested in the question or shall be excused by the Convention for reasons assigned.

RULE II. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE III: No motion shall be considered as before the Convention unless seconded by a member not belonging to the same Parish with the mover; and every motion shall, if required, be reduced to writing, and the name of the mover appended.

RULE IV. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read and entered on the Minutes, unless otherwise determined by the house; and if accompanied by resolutions, the question shall be on adopting them.

RULE V. When a question is before the Convention it shall be in order — 1, To lay on the table; 2, To postpone to a day certain; 3, To commit; 4, To amend; 5, To divide; 6, To postpone indefinitely; and motions for any of these proceedings shall have precedence in the order in which they are here named, and a question on any of these proceedings shall be decided before the original motion.

RULE VI. An address or communication from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

RULE VII. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

RULE VIII. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking; and, if unqualified, shall be decided without debate.

RULE IX. When votes or elections by orders are called for (by three Clerical members or by the Lay delegations from three Parishes), each Clergymen and each Parish shall be entitled to one vote, and there must be a concurrence of the majority of both orders voting, and the yeas and nays, when taken, shall be entered on the Minutes.

RULE X. At the Request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

RULE XI. All elections, when required by two members, shall be by ballot.

RULE XII. On all questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the house.

RULE XIII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order, but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter, may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

RULE XIV. The mover may withdraw a motion or resolution at any time before decision or amendment, with the consent of the Convention, in which case it shall not be entered on the Minutes.

RULE XV. A question being decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session without the consent of two thirds of the members present, nor unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority on the original decision.

RULE XVI. When the Convention is about to rise every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

RULE XVII. In elections by ballot the polls shall be closed when the Tellers, or Committee appointed to count the ballots, withdraw from the room in which the Convention is held; and no clerical or lay members shall be allowed to vote after that time, except by direct permission of the Convention on the application in form of each member desiring so to vote; and the reasons of his not having previously voted shall be stated by him to the Convention before his application is entertained.

RULE XVIII. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended without the consent of two thirds of the members present.

RULE XIX. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention, and shall be of force unless repealed by a vote of the Convention.

The following form is recommended by the Convention as a guide to New Parishes in organizing:—

Of the admission of a Parish or Religious Society into union with the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Massachusetts.

SECTION 1. To entitle a Parish or Religious Society to admission into union with the Convention of this Diocese, such Parish or Religious Society shall submit to the Convention a certified copy of its original articles of association, or, if incorporated, of its original charter and of its Constitution and By-Laws; by which it must appear that such Parish

or Religious Society accedes to the Constitution, canons, doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese.

SECT. 2. Such copies must also be submitted a reasonable time before the session of the Convention to the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese, and be approved by them respectively; or, if not so approved, he or they shall report to the Convention, with such copies, the reasons in writing of such disapprobation, and the whole subject, with all the documents, shall be referred to a special committee of three clerical and three lay members, to be appointed as soon as may be after the organization of the Convention, who shall report thereon for its final determination.

Resolved, That in order to secure as much uniformity as local circumstances will permit, and also to place the management of parish affairs on a wise and just basis, the following form of Constitution and By-Laws is recommended:—

CONSTITUTION.

WHEREAS, The undersigned have associated themselves together for the purpose of worshipping Almighty God according to the faith and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, and have for that purpose formed a parish at in....., they therefore declare the following to be the objects, conditions, and articles of their said association, viz. —

First. The name of this Parish shall be “The Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestrymen of.....”; or, “The Parish of.....”

Second. This Parish acknowledges itself to be a member of and to belong to the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in the Diocese of Massachusetts. As such, it accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the Constitution, canons, doctrine, discipline, and worship of said Church, and acknowledges the authority of the same accordingly.

Third. Any male person of the age of twenty-one years who has subscribed to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Parish and who has aided in maintaining public worship therein for a period of twelve months immediately preceding any meeting, either by regular attendance thereon or by pecuniary aid in hiring a sitting or otherwise, shall be considered a member of the Parish and entitled to vote in all its affairs while he continues such member; but no member who shall disclaim or refuse conformity to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid shall be eligible to any office or function in this Parish, or be entitled to vote in its affairs.

Fourth. The Rector of this Parish shall be elected by the members thereof, unless the By-Laws otherwise provide; but no person shall be eligible to that office unless he shall have had Episcopal ordination, and unless he be in full standing with the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid, and recognized as such by the Bishop of this Diocese, or in case of a vacancy, by the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Fifth. All the property of this Parish shall be taken and held subject to the control and disposition of the Vestry of the same, but shall not be sold or conveyed without the vote of the parish; but the rents, revenues, and incomes of the same shall be applied, from time to time, to the support of the Rector or Minister thereof, and for the erection and repairs of the church, churchyard, parsonage, and other buildings belonging to the same, and other necessary parish charges, and to no other use or purpose whatever.

APPENDIX D.

I.

LIST OF CLERGYMEN

IN THE

DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

May 17, 1876.

The Rt. Rev. BENJAMIN HENRY PADDOCK, D. D., Bishop.

- The Rev. CHAS. COLLARD ADAMS, Rector of St. Luke's, Lanesborough.
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 The Rev. SAMUEL RALPH ASBURY, Philadelphia.
 The Rev. BENJAMIN WARREN ATWELL, Rector of Trinity Church, Ware.
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 The Rev. ABBOTT BROWN, in Europe.
 The Rev. BELNO ADDISON BROWN, Rector of St. John's, Lawrence.
 The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, Rector of St. James', Boston Highlands.
 The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Springfield, and Examining Chaplain.

SECT. 8. The Treasurer shall keep a true account of all moneys received and paid out by him, and present a full account thereof and of the financial condition of the Parish at each annual meeting; and such account shall be audited and approved by the Wardens and Vestrymen, or a committee thereof. He shall pay no sum exceeding Ten Dollars, except for regular fixed salaries, without the approval of at least one Warden or two Vestrymen, or the previous direction of the Parish or Vestry. He shall give bonds, whenever required by the Wardens or Vestry, for the faithful performance of his duties.

SECT. 9. All pews shall be liable to assessment for the support of the Rector and the maintenance of public worship, the repairs of the church, and all other necessary Parish charges, as the Parish may determine, according to the provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth.

SECT. 10. These By-Laws may be altered, amended, or repealed at any regular meeting of the Parish by a majority of the legal members present; *provided*, notice thereof is set forth in the notice calling the meeting.

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 The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, Rector of Christ Church, Boston, and Examining Chaplain.
 The Rev. FRANKLIN LEONARD BUSH, Missionary at St. Paul's, Hopkinton, and at Marlborough.
 The Rev. ELI HAWLEY CANFIELD, D. D., Vermont.
 The Rev. HIRAM CARLETON, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Wood's Hole.
 The Rev. THOMAS G. CARVER, D. D., Missionary at Brockton.
 The Rev. NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Somerville.
 The Rev. FRANCIS CHASE, Rector of St. John's, Framingham.
 The Rev. JOSEPH HART CLINCH, S. T. D., Chaplain of the City Institutions, South Boston, and Secretary of the Convention.
 The Rev. FREEBORN COGGESHALL, residing in England.
 The Rev. THOMAS COLE, Rector of St. Margaret's, Brighton District, Boston.
 The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, Rector of St. John's, Boston Highlands.
 The Rev. BENJAMIN F. COOLEY, Rector of St. Anne's, Chelmsford.
 The Rev. JAMES IVERS TRECOTHICK COOLIDGE, D. D., Head Master of St. Mark's School, and Rector of St. Mark's, Southborough.
 The Rev. LOUIS DE CORMIS, Rector of St. Stephen's, Lynn.
 The Rev. ANDREW CROSWELL, Cambridge.
 The Rev. SAMUEL CUTLER, Boston.
 The Rev. GEORGE DENHAM, East Boston.
 The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Andover.
 The Rev. JOHN DOWNIE.
 The Rev. EDWARD LIVINGSTON DROWN, Rector of St. Paul's, Newburyport.
 The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DURELL, Rector of St. Thomas', East Somerville.
 The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D. D., Rector of St. Anne's, Lowell.
 The Rev. JOHN LIGHTNER EGBERT, Assistant at Christ Church, Springfield, and in charge of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, West Springfield.
 The Rev. SAMUEL ELLIS, Rector of St. John's, Wilkinsonville, and Missionary at Millbury.
 The Rev. SAMUEL MOODY EMERY, D. D., Newburyport.
 The Rev. THOMAS FREDERICK FALES, Rector of Christ Church, Waltham, and Examining Chaplain.
 The Rev. H. WARREN FAY, Westborough.
 The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, Rector of Trinity Church, Lenox.
 The Rev. FREDERICK SHUBAEL FISHER, Natick.
 The Rev. FRANCIS AUGUSTUS FOXCROFT, Cambridge.
 The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, Rector of Grace Church, Salem.
 The Rev. FREDERICK FREEMAN, Sandwich.
 The Rev. WALTER RUSSELL GARDNER, Assistant Minister at the Church of the Advent, Boston.
 The Rev. BENJAMIN ROWLEY GIFFORD, officiating at St. Paul's, Natick.
 The Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN, Rector of St. Paul's, Dedham.
 The Rev. CHARLES C. GRAFTON, Rector of the Church of the Advent, Boston.
 The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, City Missionary, St. Stephen's, Boston.
 The Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, Dean of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.

- The Rev. LEWIS GREEN, Rector of St. John's, Ashfield.
 The Rev. EDWARD MANNING GUSHEE, Rector of St. Peter's, Cambridge.
 The Rev. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Advent, Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM R. HARRIS, Rector of St. George's, Lee, and Missionary at St. Paul's, Otis
 The Rev. DAVID GREENE HASKINS, Rector of St. John's, Arlington.
 The Rev. OSGOOD EATON HERRICK, Chaplain United States Army, Fortress Monroe, Va.
 The Rev. JOSEPH WARREN HILL, Assistant Minister at the Church of the Advent, Boston.
 The Rev. SAMUEL HOLLINGSWORTH, S. T. D., Rector of St. James', Greenfield
 The Rev. WILLIAM HOOPER, Jr., Rector of St. Paul's, Nantucket.
 The Rev. NICHOLAS HOPPIN, D. D., Cambridge.
 The Rev. ROGER STRONG HOWARD, D. D., Rector of the Church of the Reconciliation, Webster.
 The Rev. REGINALD HEBER HOWE, Rector of Christ Church, Quincy.
 The Rev. GEORGE PUTNAM HUNTINGTON, Rector of St. Paul's, Malden.
 The Rev. WILLIAM REED HUNTINGTON, D. D., Rector of All Saints', Worcester.
 The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS, Rector of Grace Church, Medford.
 The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, Rector of Trinity Church, Bridgewater.
 The Rev. WILLIAM ALFRED JENKS, Camden, N. J.
 The Rev. ALBIN B. JENNINGS, officiating at St. Mark's, South Adams, and at the Mission Chapel, Williamstown.
 The Rev. JOSEPH KIDDER, Germantown, Pa.
 The Rev. BRYAN B. KILLIKELLY, Assistant Minister of Emmanuel Church, Boston, and in charge of Emmanuel Mission.
 The Rev. THOMAS RICKER LAMBERT, D. D., Rector of St. John's, Charlestown District, Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM CHAUNCEY LANGDON, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Cambridge.
 The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, Rector of St. Paul's, Stockbridge.
 The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, Deacon, Assistant Minister at Grace Church, Lawrence.
 The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEAROYD, Rector of St. Thomas', Taunton, and Treasurer of the Convention.
 The Rev. CHARLES STANLEY LESTER, Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM F. LHOYD, Rector of Trinity Church, Milford.
 The Rev. HENRY MACKAY, Rector of St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls.
 The Rev. THOMAS J. MACKAY, Deacon, Assistant Minister at St. John's, Boston Highlands.
 The Rev. WILLIAM INGRAM MAGILL, Rector of Calvary Church, Danvers.
 The Rev. LEANDER CORNELIUS MANCHESTER, Rector of St. John's, Lowell.
 The Rev. WILLIAM MCGLATHERY, Rector of St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.
 The Rev. HENRY AIKEN METCALF, Rector of Trinity Church, Melrose.
 The Rev. NATHAN WATSON MUNROE, officiating at Christ Church, Swansea.
 The Rev. THOMAS LOGAN MURPHY, Rector of Christ Church, Fitchburg.
 The Rev. BENJAMIN F. NEWTON, officiating at the Church of the Ascension, Ipswich.
 The Rev. FRANK LOUIS NORTON, Rector of the Church of Our Saviour, Longwood.
 The Rev. GEORGE PACKARD, Rector of Grace Church, Lawrence.

- The Rev. WILLIAM PUTNAM PAGE, Chestnut Hill, Brighton.
 The Rev. GEORGE STURGIS PAINE, Worcester.
 The Rev. EDMUND BARNABAS PALMER, Boston.
 The Rev. SAMUEL PARKER PARKER, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Vandeusen-ville, and Christ Church, Sheffield.
 The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, Rector of St. John's, Northampton, and Missionary at St. Philip's, Easthampton.
 The Rev. JOSHUA RINDGE PEIRCE, Rector of St. Mary, for Sailors, Boston.
 The Rev. DANIEL S. C. M. POTTER, Deacon, Mattapoisett.
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 The Rev. CHARLES A. RAND, Rector of Trinity Church, Haverhill.
 The Rev. JAMES D. REID, Rector of St. John's, Gloucester.
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 The Rev. GEORGE WOLF SHINN, Rector of Grace Church, Newton.
 The Rev. WILLIAM W. SILVESTER, Rector of St. Mary's, Dorchester District, Boston.
 The Rev. SAMUEL RUGGLES SLACK, Rector of Trinity Church, Weymouth.
 The Rev. CARLOS SLAFTER, Deacon, Principal of a School in Dedham.
 The Rev. EDMUND FARWELL SLAFTER, Agent of the American Bible Society, Boston.
 The Rev. FRANCIS WYMAN SMITH, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, West Newton.
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 The Rev. JAMES THOMSON.
 The Rev. EDWARD HYDE TRUE, Rector of St. John's, Taunton.
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 The Rev. ROBERT BOYD VAN KLEECK, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Hyde Park.
 The Rev. ALEXANDER HAMILTON VINTON, D. D., Rector of Emmanuel Church, Boston.
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The Constitution.

ARTICLE 1.

ACCEDING TO GENERAL CONSTITUTION.

THIS Church, the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts, accedes to the Constitution and Canons of The Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

ARTICLE 2.

THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. There shall be a Convention of this Church, consisting of the Bishop, the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, and Clergymen and Laymen, as follows :—

SECT. 2. The Bishop and the Assistant Bishop shall each have a seat and a vote in the Convention. Every Clergyman canonically and actually resident in the Diocese shall have a seat and a vote in the Convention, who, for at least three months next preceding the session of the Convention, has been regularly engaged in discharging the duties of his office, either by settlement in a Parish in connection with the Convention, or by regular and canonical appointment as Minister, Assistant Minister, or Missionary, in some Chapel or Mission within this Diocese ; or who has been, for the like term, engaged as Head, Chaplain, or Teacher in some incorporated Institution of learning, benevolence, or discipline within this Diocese, and performing clerical functions ; or who has been, for the like term, performing duty within this Diocese as Chaplain of the Army or Navy of the United States, or as Secretary or Treasurer of the Convention, or Registrar of the Diocese ; or who, while entitled to seat and vote, upon any of the grounds above stated, was compelled by age or ill-health to resign his charge, and is still prevented by age or ill-health from resuming duty as above described ; or who, during an aggregate of thirty years, performed some one or more of the duties above described ; *provided*, that any Clergyman, canonically resident in the Diocese, who is holding some appoint-

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ment under the institutions of the General Church of the United States which prevents an actual residence in the Diocese, shall also have a seat and vote in the Convention. And all Clergymen other than those above specified, canonically resident in this Diocese, shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership of this Convention, except the right to vote.

SECT. 3. Every Parish in this Diocese, in union with this Convention, shall be entitled to send to the Convention a lay delegate or delegates, not exceeding three, who shall remain in office till the sitting of the next Annual Convention, the Parish or Vestry to have the power of filling any vacancies which may occur ; a certificate of whose appointment, signed by the Wardens or Parish Clerk, shall, before his or their admission to a seat, be laid before the Convention ; *provided*, that no person shall be competent to serve as a lay delegate unless he be a stated worshipper in the Parish which he represents. The delegation from each Parish shall be entitled, on a division by orders, to but one vote.

SECT. 4. The Convention shall be the final judge of the qualifications of its members ; but no Clergyman under canonical sentence of suspension, and no Layman repelled from the Holy Communion, with the subsequent approval of the Bishop of the Diocese, shall be entitled to membership.

ARTICLE 3.

ANNUAL SESSIONS OF THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. There shall be an Annual Session of the Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the fifth Wednesday after Easter, in such place as shall have been determined by the Convention, at its last preceding session.

SECT. 2. For any sufficient cause, occurring after the designation of the place of session, the Ecclesiastical Authority may change the time and place of such session, *Provided* that the time of session shall not be more than three months later or one month earlier than the stated time.

ARTICLE 4.

SPECIAL SESSIONS OF THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. Special Sessions of the Convention may be called by the Bishop, at his discretion, and shall be called whenever

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requested by the Standing Committee ; or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or disability of the Bishop, such Special Sessions may be called by the Standing Committee.

SECT. 2. The purpose or purposes for which such session is called shall be duly stated in the notice thereof, which shall be sent by the Secretary to every Clergyman canonically connected with the Diocese, and to every Parish in union with the Convention, at least four weeks previous to the time appointed therefor.

• SECT. 3. No business shall be transacted at such session, other than that stated in the notice thereof, except by a vote of at least two thirds of each Order.

ARTICLE 5.

PRESIDENT OF THE CONVENTION.

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention. In the absence of both the Bishop and Assistant Bishop (if there be one), the members shall elect a President from among the Presbyters of the Convention.

ARTICLE 6.

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

At each Annual Session of the Convention, a Secretary shall be elected. His duty shall be to take minutes of the proceedings, and to enter them, when approved, in a proper book ; to preserve the Journals and records ; to attest the public acts of the body ; and to deliver to his successor all books and papers belonging to the Convention which may be in his custody. An Assistant Secretary may also be appointed by the Secretary, with the approval of the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the office of Secretary, the duties thereof shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretary, if there be one ; if not, upon the Secretary of the Standing Committee.

ARTICLE 7.

TREASURER AND REGISTRAR OF THE DIOCESE.

At each Annual Session of the Convention, a Treasurer and a Registrar shall be elected. If not members of the Convention, they shall be entitled, *ex officio*, to all the rights and privileges of membership except that of voting.

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ARTICLE 8.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

There shall be a Standing Committee of the Diocese, elected by the Convention at its Annual Session. It shall consist of four Presbyters canonically and actually resident in the Diocese, and four Laymen communicants of this Church and resident in the Diocese. Vacancies in said Committee shall be filled by the current vote of the Clerical and Lay members of the same, duly assembled.

ARTICLE 9.

TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS.

SECTION 1. In all matters which come before the Convention, the Clergy and Laity shall deliberate, and shall vote as one body, except when a vote by Orders shall be called for by any three Clerical members, or by the delegates from any three Parishes, and except when such vote shall be required by the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese ; in which cases the two Orders shall vote separately, the Clergy by individuals, and the Laity by parishes, the delegation from each Parish being entitled to one vote, and no more ; and the concurrence of a majority of each Order shall be necessary to constitute a decision.

SECT. 2. A majority of the lay delegates from a Parish shall determine the vote of that Parish. When the delegates from a Parish are equally divided, the vote of the Parish shall be cast, with the word "divided" written thereon, and shall be counted as a vote.

SECT. 3. The presence of one third of the Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, and of delegates from one third of the Parishes in union with the Convention, shall be necessary for the transaction of business ; but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day.

ARTICLE 10.

ELECTION OF A BISHOP.

SECTION 1. The election of a Bishop, or of an Assistant Bishop, shall be made only at an Annual Session of the Convention, or at a Special Session of the Convention called for the purpose at least

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sixty days before the time appointed, the object being stated in a notice sent by the Secretary of the Convention to every Clergyman canonically connected with the Diocese and to every Parish in union with the Convention.

SECT. 2. The election shall be by ballot, and in the manner elsewhere prescribed in the Constitution and Canons for elections by ballot.

ARTICLE 11.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. All elections shall be by ballot and by Orders, unless the Convention, by a majority of three fourths of the members voting, shall otherwise determine.

SECT. 2. The person or persons in office shall hold over until their successors are elected.

ARTICLE 12.

ADMISSION OF A PARISH INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. To entitle a Parish to admission into union with the Convention, such Parish shall submit to the Convention a certified copy of its Articles of Association, or other satisfactory evidence of its organization (or, if specially incorporated, of its Charter), and of its Constitution and By-Laws ; in which it must be declared that such Parish accedes to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship, the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese ; and such Parish shall lay before the Convention written evidence, subscribed by the Wardens and Vestry, that it has been duly organized as such for the space of one year, and during that time has held regular public services.

SECT. 2. Copies of said Articles of Association or Charter, and of the Constitution and By-Laws of such Parish, together with the circumstances and need of its organization, must also be submitted to the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese at least one month before the Annual Session of the Convention, and be approved by them respectively ; or if not so approved, he or they shall report to the Convention the reasons in writing of such disapproval. The whole subject, with all the documents, shall be

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referred to a special committee of three Clerical and three Lay members of the Convention to report thereon.

SECT. 3. Whenever any Parish in union with the Convention shall neglect, for three years in succession, to make a Parochial Report (no Missionary Report being made in its behalf during said period), or shall not, during the said three years, have employed a Clergyman as its Parish Minister, nor made application to the Ecclesiastical Authority for the services of a Missionary with just provision towards his support, such Parish shall be regarded as having forfeited its connection with the Convention, and shall no longer be entitled to representation in the same. The Bishop shall report such Parish to the Convention in his annual address.

SECT. 4. Any Parish presented by the Bishop and Standing Committee for violation of the General or Diocesan Constitution or Canons of the Church may be declared contumacious by a concurrent vote of two thirds of each Order, and thereupon shall forfeit its right to representation in the Convention. The Bishop shall report any such Parish to the Convention as occasion may require.

SECT. 5. But any such Parish may, upon its application, be re-admitted into union with the Convention by a concurrent vote of two thirds of each Order, such re-admission to take effect from and after the close of the session of the Convention consenting thereto.

ARTICLE 13.

THE ASSISTANT BISHOP.

In case of the absence or inability of the Bishop, the duties assigned to him by this Constitution, or by the Canons, shall be performed by the Assistant Bishop (if there be one).

ARTICLE 14.

ALTERATIONS OF THIS CONSTITUTION.

This Constitution may be altered or amended in any Article, at the annual meeting of the Convention, by a vote of two thirds of each Order, voting separately.

Canons.

Title I.

THE CONVENTION.

CANON 1.

OF THE RECORD OR LIST OF CLERGY IN THE DIOCESE.

SECTION 1. The Ecclesiastical Authority shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all the Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese; designating those regularly settled in Parishes by the names of their respective cures or Parishes; those employed as Missionaries, by their respective stations; those employed as Presidents, Professors, Tutors, or Instructors, by the respective institutions in which they are engaged; those employed as Heads or Chaplains in any benevolent or public institutions duly incorporated within the Diocese, or in the Army or Navy of the United States, by their respective posts of duty; and those not so engaged, by their places of residence only.

SECT. 2. Such list shall be recorded in a book by the Secretary of the Convention.

SECT. 3. The Secretary of the Convention shall record in such book all canonical certificates concerning the election or institution of Ministers, *Provided* that the same be accompanied with the certificate of the Ecclesiastical Authority that the person so chosen to any parish or cure in this Diocese is a qualified minister of this Church.

SECT. 4. (1.) When letters dimissory shall have been accepted, the Clergyman received shall procure from the Ecclesiastical Authority a certificate that he has been received into the Diocese, in compliance with the Canons. He shall cause such certificate to be delivered to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record the same.

(2.) The Ecclesiastical Authority shall also certify in writing to the Secretary the names of all Clergymen who shall, by ordination or in any other mode than as above specified, become canonically resident within the Diocese, to be duly recorded; and shall also

Record or list of Clergy to be prepared by the Ecclesiastical Authority.

List to be recorded.

Record to be kept of canonical certificates.

A certificate of reception to be recorded.

The Ecclesiastical Authority to certify names of Clergymen
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received into the Diocese, and clerical changes.

Copy of the list to be laid before Convention. Such record admitted as evidence in all trials, etc.

certify to the Secretary the name of every Clergyman deceased, transferred, deposed, or suspended; in order that such names may, in the first three cases, be stricken from the record; and in the last, that a minute of the sentence may be made.

(3.) A copy of such record or list shall be laid before the Convention on the first day of its meeting, and shall be entered upon the Journal.

(4.) Such record, or a transcript thereof, or of such part thereof as may relate to the matter in question, duly attested by the Secretary, shall be admitted in evidence upon all proceedings or trials under any law or Canon in force in this Diocese.

C A N O N 2 .

O F T H E C O N V E N T I O N .

List of Clergy entitled to seats.

SECTION 1. *The Clerical Members and their Right to Seats.*

Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of the Diocese, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention. Such list, or a copy thereof, authenticated by the Ecclesiastical Authority, shall be laid before the Convention on the first day of the meeting, and filed with the Secretary, who shall record it in a book kept for the purpose.

The appointment of Lay Delegates.

SECT. 2. *Lay Delegates and their Right to Seats.*

(1.) The appointment of Lay Delegates to the Convention, in Parishes organized or incorporated with a Vestry, if they be chosen by the Vestry, shall be made at a regular meeting of such Vestry, held according to the laws of the Parish; if they be chosen by the Parish, it shall be under the same regulations as are prescribed for the election of Wardens and Vestrymen of the Parish in which they are chosen.

Evidence of appointment.

(2.) The evidence of the appointment of a Lay Delegate shall be a certificate, signed by the Wardens or the Parish Clerk, which certificate must be laid before the Convention before the admission of said Delegate to a seat.

Certificate.

(3.) Every certificate of the appointment of a Lay Delegate shall attest that the appointment has been made in pursuance of the requirements of this Section; and shall certify that the Delegate has the qualifications required by the next succeeding clause of this Section.

Qualifications.

(4.) No Lay Delegate shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention unless he be a stated worshipper in the Parish which he is appointed to represent.

Election of Lay Delegates.

(5.) The time, place, and manner of holding an election of Lay Delegates, and the notice for holding the same, shall be fixed by rules or by-laws made by the Vestries of such Parishes, or by the lay members of the same, duly qualified at a meeting duly convened. It shall be the duty of the clerks of the several parishes, immediately after the choice of Delegates to the Convention; to report the names of such Delegates to the Secretary of the Convention, to aid

him in making up a list of Lay Delegates for use in the organization of the Convention.

(6.) A copy of this Section shall be transmitted by the Secretary of the Convention to the Vestry or Trustees of every Parish in union with the Convention, with blank printed forms of proceedings under it, to be entered upon their book of minutes. All alterations shall be similarly transmitted.

(7.) No other certificate or evidence of the appointment of a Lay Delegate than such as is required by this Section shall be required; and any laymen, duly certified as above, shall be entitled to seats until further action of the Convention thereon.

SECT. 3. *The Call of the Convention.*

Unless it be otherwise directed by the Convention, the mode of giving notice of the meeting of the Convention shall be by printed or written notice, naming the time and place thereof, with the signature of the Secretary, sent by mail to each Clergyman canonically connected with the Diocese, and to each Parish in union with the Convention. The notice of the Annual Meeting of the Convention shall be sent at least four weeks before the time appointed; the notice of a Special Meeting of the Convention shall be sent as required by Article IV of the Constitution.

SECT. 4. *Organizing the Convention.*

(1.) Every Session of the Convention shall be opened with Divine Service. On the first morning there shall be a Sermon and the Administration of the Holy Communion. A Clergyman shall be appointed by the Convention, who shall be the preacher at its next Annual Session, unless, at least one month before the same, the Bishop shall give said Clergyman notice that the Sermon, Address, or Charge is to be delivered by the Bishop.

(2.) If the Bishop be not present, nor the Assistant Bishop (if there be one), at the appointed time and place for holding the Convention, the Secretary shall call the members present to order, and shall preside until a presiding officer be elected.

(3.) The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergymen entitled to seats, from the list filed with him, as directed in Section 1 of this Canon.

(4.) The Secretary shall call the Parishes entitled to representation, when the Lay Delegates shall present their certificates, which certificates shall be referred to a committee of three members, appointed by the presiding officer. Irregular or defective certificates and certificates and documents referring to contested seats shall be temporarily laid aside. The names of the Lay Delegates, reported as duly certified, shall then be called, after which the certificates and documents laid aside shall be reported to the Convention, which shall decide on the admission of the Delegates named therein.

(5.) A quorum being present, the Bishop, if present, shall declare the Convention duly organized. If the Bishop be not present, nor the Assistant Bishop, the Secretary shall direct that the members proceed to vote for a President, as provided for in Article V of the Constitution. The President thus elected shall declare the Convention organized for business.

A copy of this Section to be sent to every Parish.

The Convention to decide contested seats.

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(6.) The Convention shall then proceed to the election of a Secretary.

(7.) The rules of order in force at the Annual Session of the Convention next preceding shall be in force until altered by the Convention.

SECT. 5. Elections by Ballot.

When elections are by ballot, three Clerical tellers shall be appointed by the President to receive and count the votes of the Clerical Order, and three Lay tellers to receive and count the votes of the Lay Order. The Clerical tellers shall take their places at the right of the President, and shall call by name the Clerical members. The Lay tellers shall take their places at the left of the President, and shall call the names of the Parishes entitled to representation, each Parish so entitled having one vote. When the tellers of the two Orders are ready to report, their reports shall be presented to the President; first, that of the votes of the Clerical Order, and then that of the votes of the Lay Order. If it shall then appear that a majority of the votes of both Orders have been cast for the same person, that person shall be declared elected. If no person has such concurrent majority, the ballot of each Order shall be accounted a nullity. Subsequent ballots shall be taken under the same regulations as the first.

SECT. 6. The Secretary.

(1.) In addition to the offices and duties elsewhere declared, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to give notice of any meeting of the Convention, in a written or printed letter, transmitted by mail to every Clergyman canonically connected with the Diocese, and to every Parish in union with the Convention, at least four weeks before the time appointed. This letter shall contain a notice of the time and place of holding the Convention; a printed copy of Section 2 of Canon II, relating to the appointment of Lay Delegates; a form of certificate of their election; and, with the notice of the time and place of the Annual Session of the Convention, a copy of the blank form of Parochial Report adopted by the Convention, with a request that it be filled up and presented to the Bishop.

(2.) He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of this Church, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention or Council, and to the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention; and shall secure, so far as possible, from the Secretaries of the Diocesan Conventions or Councils, copies of their Journals in exchange.

(3.) He shall also transmit to every General Convention, in addition to the documents mentioned in Section 4 of Canon XV, Title I, of the Digest of Canons of the General Convention, a certificate signed by himself containing a list of the nominations of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary and also a like certificate of the appointment of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

SECT. 7. The Treasurer.

(1.) It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse all moneys collected under authority of the Convention, and of

which the collection and appropriation shall not be otherwise specifically ordered.

(2.) His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention and shall be examined by a committee appointed by it.

(3.) He may be removed from office at any time by the Standing Committee, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Bishop, for any neglect, misconduct, or incapacity.

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CANON 3.

OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

SECTION 1. The Standing Committee shall, at their first meeting, choose a President from among the Clerical members, and a Secretary, either Clerical or Lay. The Secretary shall record their proceedings in a book provided for this purpose, which book, and all papers in their hands relative to the Diocese, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention; and a full report of their acts shall be made at each annual meeting of the Convention. A majority of the Committee shall be a quorum.

Shall choose a President.

A Quorum.

SECT. 2. The Standing Committee shall be a Council of Advice to the Bishop. They may be summoned by the Bishop whenever he shall wish for their advice; and they may meet of their own accord, and agreeably to their own rules, whenever they may be desired to advise the Bishop.

Council of Advice.

SECT. 3. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese in all cases except such as are otherwise provided for by the Canons of the General Convention or of this Diocese.

Ecclesiastical Authority in Vacancy of Episcopate.

SECT. 4. The Standing Committee shall have authority to fill vacancies that may occur during the recess of the Convention, any Committees appointed to sit in the recess of Convention, and also in such other offices as are held by annual election, for filling vacancies in which other provision has not been made.

Power to fill vacancies.

SECT. 5. On an application for the establishment of a new Parish within the limits of an existing Parish, the Standing Committee shall notify the Rector of said Parish (or, if there be no Rector, the Wardens) of such application, and also of the time and place appointed for the hearing of it, when the Rector, or Wardens, or Committee of the Parish, shall be allowed to make any suggestions or representations, either personally or in writing, in relation to the matter.

To receive application for establishment of a new Parish.

CANON 4.

OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. At each Annual Convention next preceding a stated meeting of the General Convention, four Clergymen and four Laymen shall be elected by the concurrent vote of the Clerical and

Deputies to be chosen.

Number and Qualifications.

Provisional Deputies.

Vacancies filled.

Deputies to signify intention to attend.

Lay members, to represent this Diocese in said General Convention, who shall continue in office until the meeting of this Convention, next preceding the meeting of the next General Convention, or until their successors are elected. The Clerical Deputies shall be Presbyters canonically connected with the Diocese, and the Lay Deputies shall be communicants of the Church and residents of the Diocese. The Convention shall also, in like manner, elect four Clergymen and four Laymen, with the same qualifications as the other Deputies, as Provisional Deputies to act in the cases hereafter mentioned. At the time of election, the Convention shall determine the order in which the names of the Provisional Deputies shall be entered upon the Journal.

SECT. 2. Any vacancy occurring among the Deputies or Provisional Deputies shall be filled at any session of the Convention during which, or prior to which, such vacancy shall occur.

SECT. 3. In case of the inability of any Deputy to attend, or in case of vacancy, the Secretary of the Convention shall designate from the list of Provisional Deputies, in the order of their record on the Journal, so many as may be necessary to ensure, as far as practicable, a full representation of the Diocese.

CANON 5.

OF THE REGISTRAR.

General Duties.

Shall procure and preserve documents, etc.

To record Consecrations.

Shall make an annual report.

SECTION 1. The Journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents, which, under the Canons or otherwise, shall become the property of this Convention, shall be committed to the keeping of the Registrar.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of the Registrar to procure all such Journals, files, papers, reports, copies of charters and acts of incorporation of churches, and other documents as may be of value in the history of this Diocese; to arrange, label, file, index, and otherwise put in order and provide for the safe keeping of the same, and all such others as may hereafter come into his possession, in some safe and accessible place of deposit; and to hold the same under such regulations and restrictions as the Convention may, from time to time, provide.

SECT. 3. It shall be his duty also to preserve, in a proper Registry Book, a record of the ordination and consecration of the successive Bishops of this Diocese, designating accurately the time and place of the same, with the names of the ordaining and consecrating Bishops, and of the others present and assisting; to record a list of all the Presbyters and Deacons, and the dates of their connection with this Diocese, and copies of the charters and acts of incorporation of Parishes in the same, with such additional facts as may be worthy of preservation in the archives of this Diocese.

SECT. 4. He shall make a report in writing at each Annual Session of the Convention.

CANON 6.

OF THE DIOCESAN FUND.

SECTION 1. Whereas it is indispensable to provide a fund for the contingent expenses of the Convention in this Diocese; therefore it shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to the Treasurer of the Convention, on or before the day of Annual Session thereof, a contribution of not less than one cent on the salary of its minister; and any Parish destitute of a minister, and represented by Lay Delegates in the Convention, shall pay at each Annual Session of the Convention at least ten dollars, or send a certified copy of a vote of its Vestry that it is unable to pay the same; and it shall be the duty of the Treasurer, in his annual report, to state the Parishes which have neglected to comply with this Canon.

SECTION 2. The money thus paid into the treasury of the Convention shall be subject to appropriation by vote of the Convention, or majority of the votes of the Standing Committee, or of such committee as shall be authorized by the Convention to incur expenses; and the following appropriations shall always be deemed proper, namely: to pay the travelling expenses of the Bishop of the Diocese; to pay the travelling expenses of such Clerical members of the Convention as cannot afford to pay the same, not exceeding ten dollars to any Clergyman in one year; to pay the travelling expenses of the members of the Ecclesiastical Court; to pay the travelling expenses of the Clerical Deputies to the General Convention, not exceeding fifty dollars to each Clerical Deputy; to pay for printing the Journals of this Convention and such publications as shall be printed by order of the Convention; every Parish shall be entitled to at least five copies of every publication printed by order of the Convention. *Provided*, that no Clergyman shall be entitled to any appropriation from the continuing Diocesan Fund, unless the Parish of which he is the minister have paid its annual assessments, as required in Section 1 of this Canon, or shall have sent a certified copy of a vote that it is unable to pay the same.

SECTION 3. And whereas, by Section 5 of Canon 1 of Title III of the Constitution of the General Convention, it is made the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at each meeting of the same, a sum for each Clergyman within the Diocese, for the purpose of paying the contingent expenses of the said Convention, therefore it shall be the duty of the Treasurer of this Convention to annually contribute one third of such sum as the General Convention may require of the Convention of this Diocese. The amount thus required shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Convention to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at each meeting of the same.

Assessment on each Parish for contingent expenses.

How appropriations may be made

For what proper.

Exceptions.

Assessment for contingent expenses of the General Convention.

Title II.

THE MISSIONARY ORGANIZATION.

CANON 1.

OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Constitution
of the Board.

SECTION 1. The work of establishing and sustaining Missions, and of assisting feeble Parishes within the Diocese, shall be committed to a Diocesan Board of Missions chosen by the Convention, consisting of eight Presbyters, engaged in parochial or missionary work, and eight Laymen, communicants of this Church; and of two members, one Clergyman and one Layman, communicants of this Church, chosen annually by each of the four Convocations recognized in Section 5 of this Canon. In all meetings of this Board, nine members shall constitute a quorum.

Term of office.

SECT. 2. Four members of the Board, viz. two Clergymen and two Laymen, shall pass out of office each year; and their places shall then be filled by an election by ballot on nomination by a committee appointed for that purpose. The term of the members of the Board in office at the passage of this Canon shall be as already determined by lot. The Board, at any meeting not less than three months before the Annual Session of the Convention, may fill any vacancy in its membership; but such election shall be for the remainder of the Conventional year only.

Bishop President.
Meetings.

SECT. 3. The Bishop shall be *ex officio* President of the Board.

SECT. 4. The regular meetings of the Board shall be held at such times and places as it shall determine. Special meetings may be called by the Bishop at his discretion, and shall be called when requested by any four members of the Board. Ten days' notice of each meeting shall be given to each member of the Board, unless such meeting be held during the session of the Convention.

Convocations recognized.

SECT. 5. Four Convocations, as at present established, viz. the Eastern, the Southern, the Central, and the Western, are hereby recognized and adopted as auxiliaries of the Board in exploring missionary fields and in other convenient methods of co-operation.

Mission Stations and Missionaries.

SECT. 6. The persons connected with any Mission Station may, with the consent of the Board, form a missionary organization, by choosing a Warden, a Treasurer, and a Clerk, whose duties shall be such as usually belong to those offices respectively. The Missionary may, on consultation with above-named officers, appoint all other officers and helpers necessary for the purposes of the Mission. If there be no Missionary, these appointments may be made by the Warden, the Treasurer, and the Clerk.

SECT. 7. No Mission shall be organized into a Parish without the consent of the Board, under penalty of forfeiture of appropriations from the date of its organization.

SECT. 8. Appointments of Missionaries are to be made on the nomination of the Bishop, or of any three members of the Board, by a majority of two thirds of the members present, voting by ballot.

SECT. 9. All Parishes and Mission Stations within the Diocese are expected to give at least two Sunday Offerings in each year, for the furtherance of the work committed to this Board. All Offerings received by the Board for any special work already approved and undertaken by the Board shall be estimated in the Board's redemption of its pledges towards that special work.

SECT. 10. No appropriation shall be made for a period extending beyond the first day of July following the next Annual Session of the Convention; and all notices of the appropriations of money to a Missionary or a Clergyman shall mention the Mission or Church for which the appropriation is made.

SECT. 11. Organized Parishes may be aided only on a written statement by the Wardens and Vestry, accompanying each application, and declaring the need and amount of the desired aid. Such statement shall have the assent, in writing, of the Missionary or the Clergyman in charge.

SECT. 12. The Board may, at its discretion, make arrangements for Missionary Meetings in any part of the Diocese; may appoint delegates to attend them; and, in general, may devise any methods to awaken an interest in the Missionary work.

SECT. 13. The Board shall make a full report of its work to the Convention at its Annual Session.

Parish organization.

Appointments of Missionaries.

Two Sunday Offerings expected from each Parish.

Appropriation.

Aid to Organized Parishes.

Missionary Meetings.

Report.

Title III.

OF DISCIPLINE.

CANON 1.

OF PROCEEDINGS IN THE CASE OF A MINISTER, NOT BEING A BISHOP, ACCUSED, BY PUBLIC RUMOR OR OTHERWISE, OF OFFENCES FOR WHICH HE MAY BE TRIED.

SECTION 1. The mode of presentment and trial of a Minister, for any offence for which, by the laws of the General Convention of this Diocese, he is or may be liable to be tried, shall be as follows:—

Information of his offence shall first be given in writing to the Standing Committee, which information any member of this Church is hereby declared competent to give. The Standing Committee

Mode of Presentment.

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and notices.

appear to him to be proper, provided the same shall not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Court; and such sentence shall be final. Before pronouncing any sentence, the Bishop shall summon the accused, and any three or more Presbyters of the Diocese, to meet him at such time as may in his opinion be most convenient, in some church to be designated by him, which shall for that purpose be open at the time to all persons who may choose to attend; and the sentence shall then and there be publicly pronounced by the Bishop. But the Bishop, if he shall be satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused, in which case, a new Court of Presbyters shall be appointed, the proceedings before whom shall be conducted as before mentioned.

SECT. 8. All citations and notices contemplated in this Canon shall be signed by the Bishop, and may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed for the purpose by the Bishop, and whose certificate of such service shall be evidence thereof. In case of service by any other person, the fact shall be proved by the affidavit of such person. A written citation or notice delivered to a party, or left at his last place of residence, shall be deemed a sufficient service of such citation or notice.

Advocates
allowed.

SECT. 9. Advocates or Proctors shall be allowed on both sides, at the pleasure of the parties, provided they are Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese, or Laymen who have been communicants of some Parish of the same at least two years before the time of trial.

Title IV.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

CANON 1.

OF PAROCHIAL LIMITS.

Convention
may assign
Parochial
Limits.

The Convention may, by general Canon or by special vote, assign territorial limits to Parishes. In the absence of such assignment, the limits of a Parish shall be those of the city or town in which the church stands. No Parish shall be formed within the limits of an existing Parish, without the consent first given of the Rector and Vestry of such Parish; and if there be two or more churches in any city or town, and no subdivision thereof for parochial limits has been established, the consent of the Rector and Vestry of a majority of the churches shall be necessary, *provided*, that, in every case of consent withheld, and in all cases where a majority of the Rectors interested so refer the matter, the consent of the Bishop and Standing Committee, after notice to all parties interested, shall be sufficient.

CANON 2.

PARISH REGISTERS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

1. According to Section 1, Canon 15, Title I, of the Canons of the General Convention, each Clergyman of each parish shall keep a Register of Baptisms, Confirmations, Communications, Marriages, and Funerals within his cure, agreeably to the forms as may be provided by the Constitution of the Diocese in which his cure lies.

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3. These entries shall be made by the Clergyman, in a book provided for that purpose, belonging to the Vestry of the parish, which book shall be the Parish Register, and shall be kept by the Vestry as a part of the records of the Parish.

4. The list of communicants shall embrace all within the parish, as nearly as can be ascertained; and he shall keep a list of all the families and adult persons within his cure, practicable, and also an accurate list of the persons coming from time to time by the Bishop.

5. Every Clergyman of this Church, regularly settled in a parish, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the opening of every Annual Session of the Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese (or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention) a statement of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Funerals, and of the number of Communicants in the parish; also the state and condition of the Sunday School and other schools in his Parish; also of the amount of the Contributions, Alms, the contributions for Missions (Diocesan, Domestic, Foreign), for Parochial Schools, for church purposes in general; also whether there is a Church or Chapel, with the number of members herein, and whether there is a parsonage; also the total value of the property belonging to the Parish, taken, if possible, from the tax lists of the town or city; and of all other matters that will throw light on the state of the same, according to the form of report transmitted by the Secretary of Convention, in accordance with Title I, Canon 2, Section 6. If a Parish is vacant, the Clergyman shall present, or cause to be delivered, the foregoing report. Every Clergyman not regularly settled in any Parish shall also report the occasional services he may have performed, and if he have performed no such services, the causes which have prevented the same. And these reports, or copies of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be entered on the Minutes of the Convention.

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CANON 4.

OF REPEALED CANONS.

Repealing clause.

Whenever there shall be a repealing clause in any Canon, and such Canon shall be repealed, such repeal shall not be a re-enactment of the Canon or Canons repealed by the said repealing clause.

CANON 5.

OF THE REPEAL, AMENDMENT, AND ENACTMENT OF NEW CANONS.

Form of future amendments.

SECTION 1. In all cases of future enactments, the same, if by way of amendment of an existing provision, shall be in the following form : "Title — Canon — (or Canon — Section —) is hereby amended so as to read as follows." And if the enactment is of an additional clause, Section, or Canon, it shall be designated as the next Canon, or next Section, or next clause of a Canon or Section, in the order of the numbering of the Title to which the subject properly belongs. If a Canon or Section or clause be stricken out, the existing numbering shall be retained until a new edition of the Canons be directed.

Changes to be certified.

SECT. 2. The Secretary, with any member of the Committee on Canons selected by such Committee, shall, at the close of each session of the Convention, certify the changes made in the Canons, and the Secretary shall print the same in the Journal.

CANON 6.

OF AMENDMENTS OF THE CANONS.

How Canons may be altered.

The Canons may be altered, or new Canons may be added at the Annual Session of the Convention, by vote of a majority of each Order.

But no existing Canon shall be changed and no new Canon shall be enacted on the day on which the change or enactment may be proposed, unless such change or enactment shall have been referred to and reported upon by a committee of at least two Presbyters and two Laymen.

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Notice.

THE Eighty-Seventh Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Massachusetts will be holden in St. Paul's Church, Boston, on the fifth Wednesday after Easter (the 2d of May), 1877, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

JOSEPH H. CLINCH,


Secretary of the Convention

SOUTH BOSTON, May, 1876.

Notice.

THE Preacher of the Annual Convention Sermon is expected to make an appeal in behalf of the Episcopal Clerical Fund; and the Offertory on the first day of the Session is to be appropriated to the funds of that Society.

It is recommended to all the Parishes in the Diocese to make collection on Christmas Day, or on some day in the Advent Season, for the Episcopal Clerical Fund.



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Convention of 1864.

On motion of Rev. George S. Converse,

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Rectors of Parishes to enforce the observance of the 1st Section of Canon 12, Title II, of the Digest.

On motion of the same,

Resolved, That the foregoing resolution, together with the Section of the Canon referred to, be printed upon the cover of the Journal.

Title II, Canon 12, Section 1.

A communicant removing from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing; and the rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removed shall not be required to receive him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced.

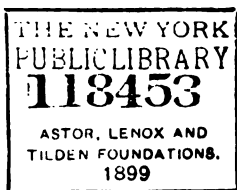
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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BOSTON,
Wednesday, May 2, 1877.

THIS being the day appointed for the Eighty-Seventh Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts, the BISHOP and several of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled in St. Paul's Church, Boston, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer, to the Psalms, was read by the Rev. GEORGE WALKER, the Absolution being pronounced by the BISHOP; the Psalter was read by the Rev. BRYAN B. KILLIKELLY; the First Lesson, by the Rev. BENJAMIN R. GIFFORD; the Second Lesson, by the Rev. JOSEPH JENKS; the Nicene Creed and Collects, by the Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D.; the Litany and Concluding Prayers, by the Rev. PERCY BROWNE; the Hymns were announced by the Rev. Dr. BURGESS; the Ante-Communion Service was commenced by the Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D. D., the Epistle being read by the Rev. JOSHUA KIMBER, Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, and the Gospel, by the Rev. A. T. TWING, D. D., Secretary of the Domestic Board; the Sermon was then delivered by the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, from the text 1 Kings, xix, 19 and 20. The Sentences of the Offertory were read by the Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D. D.; the Prayer for the Church Militant, by the Rev. NICHOLAS HOPPIN, D. D.; the Exhortation and Confession, by the Rev. SAMUEL HOLLINGSWORTH, D. D.; the Comfortable Words and Prayer of Humble Access, by the Rev. SAMUEL SCHERESCHEWSKY, D. D., Bishop Elect of China; the Prayer of Consecration, by the BISHOP of the Diocese; the elements were distributed to the Clergy by the BISHOP and Dr. SCHERESCHEWSKY, and to the Laity by the Rev. Drs. GRAY and EDSON; the Post Communion was read by the Rev. ROGER S. HOWARD, D. D.

The Communion Alms were collected by the Rev. WILLIAM M. GROTON, the Rev. GEORGE R. WHEELOCK, the Rev. WILLIAM F. CHENEY, and the Rev. JOHN D. MCCONKEY, Deacons, prefaced by some remarks by the BISHOP in behalf of the Episcopal Clerical Fund, to which the Collection was appropriated.

The congregation having retired, the Chair was taken by the BISHOP, and the Convention called to order.

A list of Clergymen entitled to seats and votes in the Convention, furnished by the BISHOP, was then called over by the Secretary. The names of those not present during the Session appear in *italics*.

The Rev. *C. C. Adams.*

" A. V. G. Allen.
 " Henry F. Allen.
 " *Daniel G. Anderson.*
 " Charles Arey, D. D.
 " *Wm. R. Babcock, D. D.*
 " *Samuel R. Bailey.*
 " Wm. S. Bartlet.
 " George S. Bennitt.
 " John W. Birchmore.
 " Levi Boyer.
 " Phillips Brooks.
 " W. H. Brooks, D. D.
 " Belno A. Brown.
 " Percy Browne.
 " Alex. Burgess, D. D.
 " Thomas Burgess.
 " John T. Burrill.
 " H. Burroughs, D. D.
 " Franklin L. Bush.
 " Hiram Carleton.
 " Thos. G. Carver, D. D.
 " Francis Chase.
 " Wm. F. Cheney.
 " Jos. H. Clinch, S. T. D.
 " Thomas Cole.

The Rev. Geo. S. Converse.

" J. I. T. Coolidge, D. D.
 " Louis DeCormis.
 " *Andrew Croswell.*
 " Samuel Cutler.
 " Malcolm Douglass,
 D. D.
 " Edw. L. Drown.
 " Geo. W. Durell.
 " Theodore Edson, D. D.
 " Samuel Ellis.
 " Thos. F. Fales.
 " H. Warren Fay.
 " Justin Field.
 " Fred. A. Fiske.
 " Wm. T. Fitch.
 " James P. Franks.
 " Walter R. Gardner.
 " Benj. R. Gifford.
 " Daniel Goodwin.
 " *Chas. U. Grayton.*
 " Andrew Gray.
 " Geo. Z. Gray, D. D.
 " Lewis Green.
 " Wm. M. Groton.
 " Edward M. Gushee.

The Rev. A. C. A. Hall.

- " *Wm. R. Harris.*
- " Joseph W. Hill.
- " Sam'l Hollingsworth,
S. T. D.
- " William Hooper, Jr.
- " Nicholas Hoppin, D. D.
- " Roger S. Howard, D. D.
- " Reginald H. Howe.
- " Geo. P. Huntington.
- " Wm. R. Huntington,
D. D.
- " Charles L. Hutchins.
- " Joseph Jenks.
- " *Alvin B. Jennings.*
- " Alfred E. Johnson,
B. D.
- " B. B. Killikelly.
- " Thos. R. Lambert, D. D.
- " Wm. C. Langdon, D. D.
- " *Arthur Lawrence.*
- " William Lawrence.
- " Charles H. Learoyd.
- " Henry Mackay.
- " Thos. J. Mackay.
- " Wm. I. Magill.
- " L. C. Manchester.
- " John D. McConkey.
- " *Wm. McGluthery.*
- " Henry A. Metcalf.
- " Nathan W. Munroe.
- " Wm. W. Newton.
- " *Wm. P. Page.*
- " *S. P. Parker,* D. D.
- " J. Sturgis Pearce.
- " Joshua R. Peirce.

The Rev. Geo. J. Prescott.

- " *Charles A. Rand.*
- " *James D. Reid.*
- " *Robert C. Rogers.*
- " *Silas M. Rogers.*
- " Edmund Rowland.
- " Sumner U. Shearman.
- " Geo. W. Shinn.
- " W. W. Silvester.
- " *Amos Skeele.*
- " Samuel R. Slack.
- " Edmund F. Slaughter.
- " Francis W. Smith.
- " Samuel S. Spear.
- " Peter H. Steenstra.
- " *John S. Stone,* D. D.
- " Leonard K. Storrs.
- " Wm. P. Tucker.
- " Theodosius S. Tyng.
- " Robert B. Van Kleeck,
D. D.
- " A. H. Vinton, D. D.
- " George Walker.
- " Julius H. Ward.
- " William Warland.
- " Julius H. Waterbury.
- " *John L. Watson,* D. D.
- " E. M. P. Wells, D. D.
- " Wm. G. Wells.
- " F. Wharton, D. D.,
LL. D.
- " Geo. R. Wheelock.
- " Charles Wingate.
- " J. Frank Winkley.
- " John Wright.

The Secretary then called over the names of Clergymen entitled to seats, but not to votes. The names of those not present are printed in *italics*.

The Rev. *Benj. W. Atwell.*

" *Charles H. Babcock.*

" *Edward Benedict.*

" *Abbott Brown.*

" *Eli H. Canfield, D. D.*

" *Nathan H. Chamberlain.*

" *Benjamin F. Cooley.*

" *George Denham.*

" *John Downie.*

" *Samuel M. Emery,*
D. D.

" *Frederick S. Fisher.*

" *Francis A. Foxcroft.*

" *Frederick Freeman.*

" *David G. Haskins.*

" *Osgood E. Herrick.*

The Rev. *Joseph Kidder.*

" *William F. Lhoyd.*

" *Benjamin F. Newton.*

" *George Sturgis Paine.*

" *Edmund B. Palmer.*

" *Daniel S. C. M. Potter.*

" *Dexter Potter.*

" *Richard F. Putnam.*

" *Carlos Slafter.*

" *Orlando F. Starkey.*

" *James Thomson.*

" *Edward H. True.*

" *Treadwell Wulden.*

" *Pelham Williams,*

S. T. D.

" *William C. Winslow.*

The Secretary then called over the names of Parishes in union with the Convention, when the Lay Delegates from the same handed in the Certificates of their Election. The names of those not present during the Session are printed in *italics*.

AMESBURY, ST. JAMES'S.

Peter Clark.

AMHERST, GRACE.

H. Ward.

O. G. Couch.

O. W. Leasey.

ANDOVER, CHRIST.

William Whitman.

George H. Poor.

William Marland.

ASHFIELD, ST. JOHN'S.

Moses Cook.

Adrian G. Hall.

Archibald D. Flower.

BEVERLY, ST. PETER'S.

John D. Lovett.

Austin D. Kilham.

Thomas W. McKean.

BOSTON, ADVENT.

George C. Shattuck, M. D.

Edward N. Perkins.

Richard H. Dana, Jr.

BOSTON (DOR.), ALL SAINTS'.

Henry M. Snell.

Henry W. Emmons.

Joseph M. Churchill.

BOSTON, CHRIST.

John Fox.

Thomas Malr.

Daniel Byron.

BOSTON, EMMANUEL.

Charles O. Whitmore.

Joseph W. Clark.

Alexander H. Rice.

BOSTON (MATTAPAN), GRACE.

Not represented.

BOSTON, MESSEIAL.

Roderick Richardson.

Samuel Rice.

Cauten Browne.

BOSTON (HIGHLANDS), ST. JOHN'S.

Joseph W. Abbott.

Frank H. Beebe.

Henry B. Mackintosh.

BOSTON (HIGHLANDS), ST. JAMES'S.

William Raymond Lee.
Atherton T. Brown.
Danforth C. Hodges.

BOSTON (CHAS'N), ST. JOHN'S.

George N. Fisher.
James H. Jones.
 George B. Neal.

BOSTON (J. PLAIN), ST. JOHN'S.

F. W. Reynolds.
 Thomas P. Proctor.
 John W. McKim.

BOSTON (EAST), ST. JOHN'S.

George H. Plummer.
W. A. Parker, U. S. N.

BOSTON (BRIG'N), ST. MARGARET'S.

Not represented.

BOSTON (DOR.), ST. MARY'S.

John P. Clapp.
Daniel B. Siedman, Jr.
 Charles Emery.

BOSTON, ST. MARY FOR SAILORS.

James W. Earl.
Richard L. Thomas.
 John Lamb.

BOSTON (SOUTH), ST. MATTHEW'S.

Horatio N. Crane.
 Joseph Hale.
 J. Morton Clinch.

BOSTON, ST. PAUL'S.

Robert M. Mason.
John P. Putnam.
 John S. Blatchford.

BOSTON, TRINITY.

Robert C. Winthrop.
 John C. Ropes.
 Hasket Derby, M. D.

BRIDGEWATER, TRINITY.

Not represented.

BROOKLINE, ST. PAUL'S.

James S. Amory.
 Henry S. Chase.
 Mortimer C. Ferris.

CAMBRIDGE, CHRIST.

Francis C. Foster.
 J. Gardner White.
 Samuel D. Sargeant.

CAMBRIDGE, ST. JAMES'S.

James M. Barker.
 Luke H. Whitney.
 Philip R. Ammidon.

CAMBRIDGE, ST. PETER'S.

Edward R. Cogswell, M. D.
 William W. Dallinger.
Justin A. Jacobs.

CHELSEA, ST. LUKE'S.

Jesse Briggs.
 Charles McBurney.
 A. J. Mercer.

CHICOPEE, GRACE.

E. Frank Bulch.
 Stephen Lamson.
John Taylor Lyon.

DANVERS, CALVARY.

John S. Pratt.
 William Kirk.

DEDHAM, ST. PAUL'S.

Ira Cleveland.
 Thomas L. Wakefield.
 Ernstus Worthington.

EASTHAMPTON, ST. PHILIP'S.

Clarence R. Ware.
Joseph Bassett.

FALL RIVER, ASCENSION.

Walter C. Durfee.
William L. Winslow.
R. W. Ball.

FISKDALE, GRACE.

George H. Sparhawk.
Alfred Hull.

FITCHBURG, CHRIST.

William T. Grinnell.
 Dennis Fay.
William W. Bailey.

FRAMINGHAM, ST. JOHN'S.

James W. Brown.
 Alexander R. Easty.
W. Frank Hurd.

GLOUCESTER, ST. JOHN'S.

John S. Webber.
Frederick T. Hall.
 George Grier.

GREAT BARRINGTON, ST. JAMES'S.

M. L. Whitlock.
W. H. Parks.
C. T. Collins.

GREENFIELD, ST. JAMES'S.

C. C. Conant.
Charles R. Field.
 Charles R. Lowell.

HANOVER, ST. ANDREW'S.

Lemuel C. Waterman.
Warren Wright.
 Horatio Bigelow.

HAVERHILL, TRINITY.

Edward F. Adams.
William B. Kimball.
 Charles F. Chase.

HOLYOKE, ST. PAUL'S.

William Grover.
Henry C. Ewing.
E. P. Ford.

HOPKINTON, ST. PAUL'S.

Willard Wadsworth.
William Kennedy.

HYDE PARK, CHRIST.

Charles W. W. Wellington.
 Samuel N. Piper.
Alfred Hale.

IPSWICH, ASCENSION.

Reuben Kidner.
 Joseph H. Woods.
George L. Tilton.

LANESBOROUGH, ST. LUKE'S.

Not represented.

LAWRENCE, GRACE.

Andrew D. Blanchard.
 David Dana.
George W. Seaverns.

LAWRENCE, ST. JOHN'S.

John Harvey Treat.
Edward R. Davis.
 Nathaniel P. H. Melvin.

LEE, ST. GEORGE'S.

Ashley Beach.
John Hanna.
Charles F. Durant.

LENOX, TRINITY.

Not represented.

LONGWOOD, OUR SAVIOUR.

Samuel L. Bush.
 Samuel H. Gregory. |
 Robert Amory, M. D.

LOWELL, ST. ANNE'S.

John O. Greene. M. D.
Laurin Martin.
 John M. Pevey.

LOWELL, ST. JOHN'S.

Henry P. Webber.
 Albert G. Swan.
 Samuel J. Gibby.

LYNN, ST. STEPHEN'S.

Edward S. Davis.
William T. Johnson.
 Enoch S. Johnson.

MALDEN, ST. PAUL'S.

Frederick D. S. Jones.
 George T. Brown.
 Richard Barrington.

MARBLEHEAD, ST. MICHAEL'S.

Samuel Taylor.

MEDFORD, GRACE.

Charles B. Crockett.
Frederick C. Williams.
 John B. Folger.

MELROSE, TRINITY.

R. P. Barry.
 W. L. Williams.
 W. J. Ellis.

MILFORD, TRINITY.

Charles Dove.
George G. Parker.
J. S. C. Cook.

MILLVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.

Henry S. Mansfield.
Benjamin Booth.
James O. Aldrich.

NANTUCKET, ST. PAUL'S.

Charles H. Starbuck.
William C. Porter.

NATICK, ST. PAUL'S.

Horace T. Hildreth.
George J. Townsend. |
 Frank E. Cummings.

NEW BEDFORD, GRACE.

Edmund Rodman.
C. B. H. Fessenden.
 James Munroe.

NEWBURYPORT, ST. PAUL'S.

Nathaniel Foster.
 David Wood.
Edward S. Moseley.

NEWTON, GRACE.

E. F. Waters.
 Adin B. Underwood.
 W. S. Gardner.

NEWTON, MESSIAH.

John Renton. M. D.
 Gardiner P. Gates.

NEWTON, ST. MARY'S.

Charles A. Moulton.
 Samuel H. Warren.
D. W. Cunningham.

NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH, GRACE.

Otis Stanley.
 Oliver Stanley.
E. E. Barrows.

NORTH ADAMS, ST. JOHN'S.

Charles H. Read.
Anson D. Miner.
William H. Gaylord.

NORTHAMPTON, ST. JOHN'S.

William C. Robinson.
David W. Crafts.
William Warnock.

OXFORD, GRACE.

Not represented.

PITTSFIELD, ST. STEPHEN'S.

Not represented.

PLYMOUTH, CHRIST.

Not represented.

QUINCY, CHRIST.

William L. Wainwright.
William Greenough.
 Charles F. Shimmie.

ROCHDALE, CHRIST.

Elbridge G. Carlton.
James Riley.
Isaac B. Hartwell.

SALEM, GRACE.

Benjamin Shreve.
 Daniel B. Hagar, PH. D.
Leverett S. Tuckerman.

SALEM, ST. PETER'S.

Francis Cox.
 George R. Curwen.
 John P. Peabody.

SHEFFIELD, CHRIST.

Not represented.

SOMERVILLE, EMMANUEL.

Robert H. Gibby.
Alexander R. Benton.
William C. Tallman.

SOMERVILLE (EAST), ST. THOMAS'S.

Alexander Wood.
Douglas Frazar.
 George Vincent.

SOUTH ADAMS, ST. MARK'S.

George W. Adams.
T. A. Mole.
Levi L. Brown.

SOUTHBOROUGH, ST. MARK'S.

Joseph Burnett.
L. W. Newton.
F. W. Walker.

SOUTH GROVELAND, ST. JAMES'S.

Benj. R. Downes.
W. H. Parker.

SOUTH LINCOLN, ST. ANNE'S.

George G. Cheney.
 Howard Snelling.
Frank W. Bigelow.

SPRINGFIELD, CHRIST.

John B. Stebbins.
 James D. Safford.
 Daniel P. Crocker.

STOCKBRIDGE, ST. PAUL'S.

*D. B. Fenn, Jr.
M. Van Deusen.
S. W. Comstock.*

SWANSEA, CHRIST.

*William Henry Pearse.
Frank S. Stevens.*

TAUNTON, ST. THOMAS'S.

*William C. Lovering.
William H. Bent.
Henry M. Lovering.*

TAUNTON, ST. JOHN'S.

*Samuel L. Crocker.
William Parkin.
John Holland.*

VANDEUSENVILLE, TRINITY.

*William J. Van Deusen.
Giles H. Hulitt, M. D.
William H. Hubbard.*

WAKEFIELD, EMMANUEL.

Not represented.

WALTHAM, CHRIST.

*Moses E. Osgood.
Otis E. Hunt, M. D.
Nahum Smith.*

WEBSTER, RECONCILIATION.

*James Henry Howe.
William S. Slater.
Amos Bartlett.*

WESTFIELD, ATONEMENT.

Not represented.

WEYMOUTH, TRINITY.

*William S. Wallace.
Edward Avery.
Samuel W. Reed.*

WILKINSONVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.

*James Simmons.
Daniel M. Chase.
Joel Houghton.*

WOBURN, TRINITY.

*Joseph McCarthy.
James Folsom.
Obadiah Rich.*

WOOD'S HOLL, MESSIAH.

*Charles E. Hatch.
Eliel T. Fish.
Joseph S. Fay.*

WORCESTER, ALL SAINTS'.

*Francis H. Dewey.
Mellish B. Green.
Edward L. Davis.*

WRENTHAM, TRINITY.

*David N. Fales.
James E. Pollard.
David T. Stone.*

The BISHOP then announced the following as the Committee on Qualifications, to whom the lists of the Clergy and the Certificates of Lay Delegates were handed : —

The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D. D., The Rev. WILLIAM W. SILVESTER, BENJAMIN ROBERT DOWNES.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS moved that this Convention now adjourn, to meet again in this church at 3½ o'clock.

This motion was lost.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That this Convention now adjourn, to reassemble at 3 o'clock.

Adjourned.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. Dr. DOUGLASS, from the Committee on Qualifications, made the following report : —

The Committee on Qualifications respectfully report that they have examined the list of Clerical Delegates to the Convention, and find it correct. They also report the Certificates of Lay Delegates correct, with the exception of those from St. Paul's, Newburyport, and St. Peter's, Salem, which are defective by reason of having been signed by one warden only; and two others, one from St. Paul's, Natick, and one from the Church of the Advent, Boston, which are both defective: that from St. Paul's, Natick, in omitting to certify that the Delegate is a

stated worshipper in the Parish, and that from the Church of the Advent is omitting date and reference to meeting of Parish or Vestry, and the required attestation that the appointment has been made according to canonical requirement.

For the Committee,

MALCOLM DOUGLASS, *Chairman.*

Which Report, on motion of the Rev. Dr. BROOKS, was accepted, so far as there is no objection made to the same.

A quorum being present, the BISHOP announced the Convention open for business. The first business in order being the election of a Secretary,

On motion of Dr. SHATTUCK, the Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S. T. D. was re-elected Secretary.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BURGESS, the rules of order were suspended to allow a Report from the Committee on Amendments of Rules of Order to be received.

REPORT.

The Committee on Amendments of Rules of Order and Order of Business respectfully report the accompanying Draft for consideration by the Convention. The ends secured by the amendments proposed are believed to be clearness, simplicity of language, the avoiding of repetition of that which is provided for in the Constitution, and such an arrangement of business that important matter will not be crowded out, or forced into the closing hours of the session, and the more may be transacted upon the first day than heretofore.

The Committee have had during their labors the valued advice of the Bishop of the Diocese, and of clergymen and laymen of experience, and hope that the result presented will meet with confirmation by the Convention, at least so far as to give to their arrangement a fair trial.

The Committee propose this resolution for adoption by the Convention:—

“Resolved, THAT A STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS AND RULES OF ORDER BE ESTABLISHED AS FOLLOWS:—

“Provided, nevertheless, that such parts of the Order of Business for the morning of the first day of the Session, as have not already had consideration be presently in order.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY OF THE SESSION.

A. M.

At the hour appointed for the opening of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, when the order of procedure shall be as follows:—

I. 1. The Lord's Prayer, and the “Prayer to be used at the meetings of Conventions.”

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats and vote

and of those entitled only to seats in the Convention. He shall then call the names of Parishes, and receive certificates, as by Sect. 4, Canon 2, Title I.

3. The President shall appoint a Committee on Qualifications, to whom the list of the Clergy and the credentials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred.

II. Morning Prayer, and Sermon or Charge, and the administration of the Holy Communion.

III. 1. Immediately after Divine Service, the Committee on Qualifications shall report. The Convention shall act, at once and without debate, upon all undisputed names and credentials. All questions of membership raised by the Committee or by the Convention shall be laid aside temporarily.

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Lay Delegates, as the same shall have been approved by the Convention.

3. A constitutional quorum of both Orders being present, the President shall declare the Convention organized for business.

4. The election of a Secretary.

5. The reading of the Rules of Order of the last Convention.

6. The appointment by the President of five Standing Committees, viz., a Committee on the Admission of new Parishes; a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to consist each of five members, three Clergymen, and two Laymen; an Executive Committee, for nominating the Preachers of Sermons before this body, and for recommending the time and place for holding the next Convention, to consist of three members, two Clergymen, and one Layman; a Committee on Unfinished Business and a Committee of Finance, to consist each of three members, one Clergyman, and two Laymen.

7. The receiving and referring of papers in respect to the admission of new Parishes.

8. A Recess shall be ordered.

P. M.

IV. Report of the Committee on Qualifications, on certificates and documents laid aside. The Convention shall take immediate action. Subsequent Reports of the Committee on Qualifications shall be in order at any time.

V. 1. The Annual Address of the Bishop, unless he shall prefer another time for its delivery.

2. Reference of matters therein contained, if so ordered, to Committees.

3. Presentation of subjects by resolutions, to be referred, without debate, to Standing or Special Committees.

VI. Reports and action upon them, in the following order:—

1. Parochial Reports to be received by the Bishop.

2. Report from the Committee on new Parishes, the admission of the Parishes, and the reception of their Lay Delegates.

3. Report from the Standing Committee.

4. Report from the Diocesan Board of Missions.

5. Reports from the Convocations.

6. Reports from Special Committees appointed at the preceding Convention.

7. Report from the Treasurer of the Convention.

8. Report from the Registrar of the Convention.

9. Report from the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

10. Report from the Episcopal Church Association.

11. Report from Trustees of Fund for the erection of Churches, etc.

12. Report from the Trustees of Donations.
13. Report from the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.
14. Report from the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.
15. Report from the Episcopal Clerical Fund.
16. Reports from any other Church or Charitable Societies recognized by the Convention.
17. Reports from any of the Standing Committees of the Convention, in their order, as in III, 6. If any report be not ready in the order prescribed above, more time may be allowed, and it shall be presented and be in order at the first vacancy in the regular business after it shall be prepared.
- VII. Miscellaneous Business.
- VIII. Adjournment to the second day.

SECOND DAY OF THE SESSION.

- IX. 1. Morning Prayer at 9 A. M.
2. Reading of minutes of the first day, and action upon them.
3. The calling of the roll.
- X. 1. The finishing of the business which was under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Convention.
2. The disposal of unfinished business in the order above prescribed for the first day.
- XI. 1. The Standing Committees shall be called, in their order, reports may be received from any of them and action may be taken thereon.
2. Reports of Special or other Committees on matters referred to them during the Session, and action thereon.
- XII. Miscellaneous Business.
- XIII. Elections to be proceeded with at 11 o'clock A. M., in the following order:—
1. Of Treasurer of the Convention.
2. Of Registrar.
3. Of Deputies to the General Convention.
4. Of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.
5. Selection of persons to be nominated to the General Convention, or to the Board of Trustees, as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.
6. Election of Members of the Diocesan Board of Missions.
7. Of Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.
8. Of Committee on entertaining the Clerical Members of the Convention.
- XIV. Miscellaneous Business.
- XV. Adjournment to the third day, if the Convention be prolonged.

THIRD OR OTHER SUBSEQUENT DAY OF THE SESSION.

- XVI. 1. Morning Prayer, Reading, etc., of the Minutes, reception of new members, calling of the roll, and finishing of business under consideration at last adjournment, as on the second day.
2. The disposal of the Unfinished Business of the Convention in the order above prescribed.
- XVII. When the Convention shall be prepared to adjourn without day, there shall be reading of the Minutes not already approved, and action thereon; then, after Prayers and Benediction by the President, the Convention shall stand so adjourned, without day.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I. When the President takes the Chair no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

No member shall absent himself from the Convention, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

When any member is about to speak, or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the Convention, nor more than once until others desiring to speak shall have spoken.

While the President is putting any question the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put shall vote, unless he be personally interested in the question, or be excused by the Convention for reasons assigned.

RULE II. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE III. No motion shall be considered as before the Convention unless seconded by a member not belonging to the same Parish with the mover; and every motion shall, if required, be reduced to writing, and the name of the mover appended.

RULE IV. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read and entered on the Minutes, unless otherwise determined by the Convention; and if accompanied by resolutions, the question shall be on adopting them.

RULE V. When a question is before the Convention it shall be in order, 1. To lay on the table; 2, To postpone to a day certain; 3, To commit; 4, To amend; 5, To postpone indefinitely; and motions for any of these proceedings shall have precedence in the order in which they are here named, and a question on any of these shall be decided before the original motion.

RULE VI. If the question under debate contains distinct propositions, the same shall be divided, at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

RULE VII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order, but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter, may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

If a motion to lay on the table an amendment be carried, the matter before the Convention shall be proceeded with as if no such amendment had been offered.

RULE VIII. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

RULE IX. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking; and, if unqualified, shall be decided without debate.

RULE X. All questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Convention.

RULE XI. Record shall be made upon the Minutes of every motion or resolution which is put upon its passage, or upon which any action allowed by Rule V shall have been taken; but, with the consent of the Convention, the mover may withdraw a motion or resolution at any time before such action has been taken,

or it has been put upon its passage, in which case it shall not be entered on the Minutes.

RULE XII. An address or communication from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

RULE XIII. A question having been decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session without the consent of two thirds of the members present, nor unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority on the original decision.

RULE XIV. In elections by ballot, the polls shall be closed when the Tellers, or Committee appointed to count the ballots, withdraw from the room in which the Convention is held; and no clerical or lay members shall be allowed to vote after that time, except by direct permission of the Convention on the application in form of each member desiring so to vote; and the reasons of his not having previously voted shall be stated by him to the Convention before his application is entertained.

RULE XV. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

RULE XVI. When the Convention is about to rise every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

RULE XVII. The Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention.

RULE XVIII. For the suspension of any part of the Standing Order of Business, or of any of the Rules of Order, the consent of two thirds of the members present shall be necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEXANDER BURGESS.
CAUSTEN BROWNE.
EDWARD S. RAND.

On motion of the same,

Resolved, That the Report be accepted, and the resolution appended to the same be adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Brooks, —

Resolved, That the delegate reported defective in the Report of the Committee on Qualifications be admitted, with the request that the defects may be supplied.

The Parishes named were taken up *seriatim*.

Resolved, That the Lay Delegate from St. Paul's, Newburyport, be admitted, the defect in the Certificate having been rectified.

Resolved, That the Delegate from St. Peter's, Salem, be admitted, for the same reason.

Resolved, That the Delegate from St. Paul's, Natick, be admitted so soon as the Constitutional requirements shall be complied with.

Resolved, That the Delegates from the Church of the Advent be admitted, the defect in the Certificate having been amended.

The BISHOP then announced the following Standing Committees: —

On New Parishes	{ The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES. " CHARLES A. RAND. " ARTHUR C. A. HALL. FRANCIS C. FOSTER. J. MORTON CLINCH.
On Constitution and Canons	{ The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D. " S. HOLLINGSWORTH, D. D. " GEORGE Z. GRAY, D. D. D. B. HAGAR, PH. D. WM. S. GARDNER.
Executive Committee	{ The Rev. EDMUND ROWLAND. " THEODOSIUS S. TYNG. HENRY M. LOVERING.
Finance Committee	{ The Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL. SAMUEL H. GREGORY. HENRY M. LOVERING.
Unfinished Business	{ The Rev. FRANCIS CHASE. GEORGE H. PLUMMER. HENRY P. WEBBER.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Brooks, —

Resolved, That we hereby express our sincere gratification at the presence of the Rev. Dr. Schereschewsky, Bishop Elect of China, that a seat on the right of the President be provided for him, and that he be invited to occupy it at his convenience.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Brooks, —

Resolved, That Clergymen belonging to other Dioceses, Candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, former members of this Convention, all persons holding any office or trust under the Convention, if not members thereof, being present at its sittings, the Committee on Hospitality, and the Church-Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Paul's Church, Boston, be invited to honorary seats in this body.

The following persons appeared and took seats in the Convention : —

The Rev. GEORGE D. WILDES, D. D., of the Diocese of New York.

" " A. T. TWING, D. D., Sec. and Gen. Agt. Dom. Com.

" " JOSHUA KIMBER, Sec. and Gen. Agt. For. Com.

" " S. H. WEBB, Sec. Con., Diocese of Rhode Island.

EDWIN WALTER GOULD, candidate for Holy Orders, Diocese of Massachusetts.

JOHN T. ROSE, candidate for Holy Orders, Diocese of Massachusetts.

GEORGE E. OSGOOD, candidate for Holy Orders, Diocese of Massachusetts.

The following communication presented by GARDINER P. GATES, Esq. : —

WEST NEWTON, May 1, 1877.

The Parish of the Church of the Messiah, West Newton, respectfully represents to the Eighty-Seventh Annual Convention:

That, *Whereas* many members of said Parish reside in the adjoining district, or ward, of Auburndale, and, *Whereas* other residents of that locality have signified their desire to become members of this Parish, and, *Whereas* propositions

have been made towards the erection of a church or chapel near the boundaries of said West Newton and Auburndale:

Therefore, At a full meeting of the Parish, held April 16, 1877, the Vestry having recommended that the Fifth Article of the Constitution of the Parish be amended by inserting after the words, West Newton, the words, "and Auburn-dale," said amendment was duly adopted by the Parish.

This amendment is now respectfully submitted to the Convention for its approval.

GARDINER P. GATES, *Parish Clerk.*

(A copy of Article 5th is appended.)

ARTICLE FIFTH.

All property, whether real or personal, that this corporation may become possessed of, shall be held by the Wardens and Vestry, and by their successors in office, in trust, for the Protestant Episcopal Church in *West Newton*, forever, and all rents, revenues, and incomes of the same shall be applied, from time to time, to the maintenance of the public worship of Almighty God according to the faith and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America in said Parish, and for no other purpose.

Was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The BISHOP then delivered his ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Bishop Paddock's Address.

BELOVED BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:—

Again in God's goodness are we permitted to assemble in council, to recount the mercies of our God, and the covenant faithfulness of the great Head of the Church; to confess our many shortcomings and to admire the mercy that can crown even our humble efforts with large success; and to take counsel with each other as to our thoughts, words, and works for the Lord Jesus in what may remain to us of time and opportunity before our night cometh when no man can work. We are happy in our freedom from all personal or party questions; we have no old battles nor new ones to fight; no confessed wrongs to be righted, or grievances to be redressed. We are here in our Eighty-seventh Annual Convention to settle no vexed questions for the great priesthood of the Laity, in some quarters shut out from a voice in the councils of a Church whose strength and glory they are; nor yet to exalt the Christian Ministry into that lawful place and influence, which systems more democratic than scriptural sometimes begrudge them. "All one body we": and our one business during these hours of counsel is to speak concerning Christ and the Church. May the blessed Spirit who presides in all true councils of the Church make all our utterances and all our acts, words and deeds "of power, and of love, and of a sound mind!"

We miss from our prayers and our counsels to-day the stalwart form and gentle but fearless voice of that honest and godly priest, George Packard, M. D. In "the communion of saints" he is still near us, and his truthful, conscientious, high-toned wisdom will seem vocal now and then,—especially to some of these older brethren; and he being dead will yet speak in counsels that spring from that best source of wisdom,—a holy and consistent

life, a religion of simplicity and godly sincerity. He died in a good old age, honored by the voice and acts of the large city to whose highest interests he had been a recognized contributor from its foundation; wept by all the people of the flock who had never known or wished to know any other Pastor; respected by all true Christian men of every name; a good example for which we all bless God's holy name; a truly "beloved physician" of the soul. It was my privilege to be with, and point upward, a stricken household, a weeping Parish, and "much people of the city," as on one of the first days of last winter we laid him down in peace to rest in Jesus.

A younger brother has fallen, the Rev. Freeborn Coggeshall, an assistant at the Church of the Advent, Boston. His brief sojourn among us, and his death at Oxford, England, where he had been for some time dwelling when he heard the Master's voice, disqualify me for bearing other than second-hand testimony to his piety, scholarship, and rich promise. They who knew him well, loved and honored him much. I doubt not the zeal, devotion, and unsparing labors of this brother justify our sense of great loss in his early departure. He died in the confidence of a certain faith and in holy hope, early in October last, and was buried, I am told, in Providence, R. I.

I shall miss, as I go the rounds of my yearly ministrations, not a few "helpers in the Lord" among our laity. In our weak and sadly decayed Parish at Plymouth, "the godly are diminished from among the children of men," and that when we can ill spare them, by the decease of Thomas M. Coffin, the only man in that place who has had the faith and courage to cheer our prayers and hopes for a revival of the Church's ministrations. Of his own will, after full consultation with his Bishop, he began and carried on at his own cost the restoration of the fabric without and within. And on his summons to his reward, it was found that he had bequeathed \$3,000 to the Bishop, in trust for Missionary work in the Diocese; \$3,000 for the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society; and \$3,000 for our Orphans' Home; besides other benevolent legacies. This humble man has left our laity an example of duty and piety which will make Christian men's account more joyous in the great day, if they will but heed it

Mrs. Ann D. Phillips, of St. Mary's, Dorchester, was called hence in the seventy-fourth year of her age while in the work of glad co-operation with her Rector in the erection of a Chapel for the Parish Church upwards of a mile away from it, in a thickly settled and promising region. As long as the Gospel shall be preached in that Chapel, this shall be a Memorial of her.

I may not detain you, although other names rise to mind. Those who know our beautiful little Church in Beverly will mourn with me the loss of Charles H. Preston, the late Junior Warden, who for eleven years has been the organist and director of the fervent and devotional musical services of that Church, but who now sings the new song of those redeemed and ransomed unto God. In Pittsfield that noble, manly, fearless Christian soldier, Gen. Bartlett, after having worn ill-concealed scars and painful wounds for years, as willingly as some wear badges and honors on their breasts, at last gave his exhausted life to that country 'o which he long ago gave almost every other good and costly gift within his power. We honor and lament the pure, blameless, splendid Christian patriot: we bless God for the good example of our Christian brother, who after life's battle sleeps well, for he sleeps in Jesus. This year has witnessed the trial so as by fire, and the triumph of faith, and the abounding consolations of grace in five of our dear pastors' households. Three of our dear brothers have seen their little ones taken into the arms of the dear Saviour, and seeing "the radiancy of glory" in the faces of their ever-living little ones, are satisfied; one has learned the purifying power of a great sorrow, as the joy of a new-made home has been withdrawn and kept for the home eternal in the heavens: and the fifth has let go the hand for a brief space, clasped with which he has walked through all the dust and thorns, and amidst all the flowers and sunshine of a long life, cheered, helped, strengthened by the best gift of God to a true, devoted, but human Minister of the Gospel. But all these things have worked together for good to them that love God; and Peabody, Medford, Newton, Dedham, and St. Anne's, Lowell, to-day bring forth more fruit because of the pruning-knife of the ever-wise Husbandman.

I see abundant reason to magnify the goodness and mercy of God as I review our Diocesan affairs since last Convention. But His mercies are illuminated by the fearful background of times

greatly depressed, of men's ordinary industries greatly crippled, and of an unquestionable *diminished ability* on the part of God's people to carry forward the Church and its blessed agencies. I have feared greater embarrassments and disasters than we have suffered: but we have trials enough. Let me first enumerate my official acts and some of the great parochial achievements of the year and then we shall keep in precisely the right place the passages in a minor key which, we do not deny, belong to our annual *Te Deum*. I shall only summarize my acts, here and now, leaving you to read the full canonical record in the Appendix herewith presented to you.

Since we last met in synod, I have confirmed, on 119 different occasions, and in the places mentioned below, 1,276 persons, viz. :—

Quincy, 6; Boston, St. Paul's (two visitations), 19; Medford (two visitations), 8; Newton, 16; Amherst, 4; Northampton, 10; Ashfield, 1; Holyoke, 4; Westfield, 10; Easthampton, 2; Greenfield, 12; West Springfield, 7; Springfield (two visitations), 44; Lawrence, Grace, 28; Lawrence, St. John's, 63; Chelmsford (two visitations), 7; Wrentham, 2; North Attleboro', 3; Weymouth, 3; Hanover, 4; Marion, 1; Wood's Holl, 3; Brockton, 2; Boston, Church Home, 1; Gloucester, 1; Beverly, 3; Williamstown, 3; North Adams, 8; South Lee, 7; Pittsfield, 9; Stockbridge, 16; Sheffield, 3; Great Barrington, 9; Van Deusenville, 3; Lee, 5; Peabody, 5; Danvers, 2; Wakefield, 3; Newton Lower Falls, 5; Wilkinsonville, 8; Clinton, 13; Marlboro', 1; Natick, 3; Millville, 3; Fall River, 15; Webster, 6; Milford, 2; Hopkinton, 1; Cambridge, Christ (two visitations), 19; Malden, 4; East Boston, 23; Boston, Good Shepherd (two visitations), 31; New Bedford, 18; Boston, St. Mary's for Sailors, 8; Boston, Advent (two visitations), 66; East Cambridge, 8; Brighton, 2; Chelsea, 13; Cambridge, St. James's, 6; Cambridge, St. John's Memorial, 12; Arlington, 6; Boston, Evangelists', 31; Dorchester, St. Mary's (two visitations), 24; Dorchester, All Saints', 6; Oakdale (Dedham), 14; Boston, Grace, 12; Boston, St. Matthew's, 30; Hyde Park, 19; Brookline, 11; Boston, St. Stephen's, 7; Lowell, St. John's, 12; Lowell, St. Anne's, 24; Marblehead, 2; Worcester, All Saints', 13; Jamaica Plain, 21; Boston, St. Mark's, 19; Melrose, 3; West Newton, 4; Charlestown, 15; Lynn, 15; Somerville, Emmanuel, 1; Taunton, St.

Thomas's, 28 ; Southboro', 6 ; Andover, 4 ; Amesbury, 10 ; Newburyport, 42 ; Ipswich, 13 ; Somerville, St. Thomas's, 13 ; Boston, Trinity, 54 ; Boston Highlands, St. James's, 21 ; Boston, Emmanuel, 12 ; Boston, Messiah, 8 ; Cambridge, St. Peter's, 19 ; Boston Highlands, St. John's, 38 ; Boston, Christ, 19 ; Haverhill, St. John the Evangelist, 21 ; Haverhill, Trinity, 15 ; Waltham, 10 ; Fitchburg, 6 ; Dedham, 12 ; Salem, St. Peter's, 26 ; Salem, Grace, 6.

The number confirmed is 1,276. This is 34 less than last year, but 92 more than the average confirmations during the three years of my Episcopate prior to this. The complete summary will read as follows : —

Baptisms	3
Confirmations	1,276
Celebrations of the Holy Communion	34
Sermons preached	140
Addresses delivered	136
Catechisings, generally with address	11
Other public services	16
Theological Examinations, Trustee and Committee Meetings, etc.	126
Marriages	2
Burials	2
Licensed Lay-readers (from Advent to Advent)	55
Postulants (admitted 5), present number	15
Candidates for Priests' Orders (admitted 2), present number	14
Ordinations (Deacons, 4 ; Priests, 1)	5
Clergymen deceased	2
“ deposited	1
“ received	6
“ transferred	7
“ present number (Bishop, 1 ; Priests, 140 ; Deacons, 7)	148
Corner-stones laid	4
Churches consecrated	6
Bishops-Elect, consents given	3

Among things which call for gratitude to God are the extraordinary achievements of the Diocese in the building or completion of Churches, Chapels, and Rectories. I *hope* there are many Dioceses which can show a more cheering work, but I doubt it: and for myself, dear Brethren, I shall not live long enough to see this year's work equalled in Massachusetts. During the year we have built or completed three Rectories,— viz., at Springfield, Bridgewater, and Great Barrington: four Chapels for Parish use, viz., at Waltham, Lynn, Grace, Boston, and All Saints', Worcester: eleven Chapels or Churches for regular public worship, viz., Christ, Springfield; All Saints', Dorchester; Good Shepherd, Oakdale (Dedham); The Evangelists', Boston; St. James's Mission, Cambridge: St. John's, Arlington; Grace, Boston; All Saints', Worcester; Trinity, Boston; Good Shepherd, Clinton; and the House of Prayer (Chapel) at Lowell. Besides which very substantial improvements have been effected in five churches; Christ Church, Waltham, and Trinity, Haverhill, are greatly improved; the Messiah, Wood's Holl, is renewed without and within; St. John's, East Boston, has spent wellnigh \$3,000, in reconstruction and decoration; and St. John's, Charlestown, having laid out nearly \$8,000, has now an interior surpassed by few if any of the churches in the Diocese. And best of all, all the churches which I have mentioned, save Arlington which owes for its lot, and the House of Prayer at Lowell, with whose origin and condition I am not very familiar, are known to me as nearly or quite free from indebtedness for the work accomplished, or (in the case of the noble edifice at Springfield) possessed of property presumed to be in good times the equivalent of the remaining debt. Six of these churches have been consecrated by me since we last met in Convention: while another cannot be canonically consecrated by reason of its imperfect title. A million dollars is a moderate estimate of the cost of the several buildings which I have just enumerated. Brethren, shall we repine or "charge God foolishly" when fourteen new houses of God (a few of them indeed but not all humble chapels, while three are very cathedrals in dignity and beauty) now resound God's praises which were silent and voiceless when we met here less than a year ago? The Lord's name be praised! The churches have done well; but to God's name give the glory!

Our benevolent and educational institutions are reasonably thriving. The Church Home for Orphans is a beautiful thing beautifully managed. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents is as tender a charity and a more unusual one; and is now, with its admirable City House and its new seaside Home, and with a strong force of Church-women, organized for its cheer and help, in every respect worthy of generous and telling admiration. St. Mark's School, Southboro', is in splendid vigor, but should have more support from *endowments* rather than be allowed to rise or fall with the tides in the affairs of men. The Theological School at Cambridge justly rejoices in the accession of wisdom, zeal, and loyalty which Dean Gray brings to it, and I hope it may have, as I doubt not it will deserve, the Church's confidence and a large measure of the divine blessing.

Our benevolent and missionary organizations and agencies are sometimes hungry and faint, yet they are sure whose work they are doing, and they labor on. The Dakota League does its great work as loyally and splendidly as ever. The several ladies appointed by the Bishop for the work of the Woman's Auxiliary, in accordance with the request of, and in hearty loyalty towards the General Board of Missions, find some difficulties, but they accomplish some blessed work. No more honest or beautiful piece of Christian work has been done in this land than the laborious visiting, praying with, and instructing the women of the Church on matters of the deepest interest and moment as regards Missions; a ministration which of late has been admirably quickened and enriched by a gifted woman, who is glad to call these labors "*resting*" after years of missionary toil in China. Dear Brethren, cheer on those who would fain make the women of your Churches full of knowledge and zeal for Christ's and the Church's work in our own and foreign lands, in Mexico and among our Indian and negro races. The interest awakened will return a thousand-fold into your own parishes. No work will be done without concert with the Rector; and I can think of no graver peril where mutual appreciation and harmony exist, than the possibility that the women of a parish thus interested may become wiser than their teachers. The Church will not suffer harm from any such provocation of one another to love and good works.

As to our own immediate and especial charge under God, Missions in Massachusetts, we have done well for the times, 105 Parishes and missions, a larger number than ever before, having sent in 181 offerings; and the sum which we have received from all sources is \$9,964.74. But we of the Diocesan Board have longed and prayed and tried to do more than it seems you think we ought to do, although you bade your agents a year ago not to slacken your work. The Board took you, dear Brethren of the clergy and laity, at your word, and you have been compelled to fail us by \$1,735, and we are to-day that amount in debt. As prudent and honest men we have taken the sad steps, in your behalf, for the reduction of many of the stipends. Some of you, my reverend Brethren, must have already suffered, and prayed for guidance, as to-day your meagre stipends suddenly grow smaller. May the good Lord put it into the hearts of your people to multiply their provision for God's Minister.

But there is one way of paying salaries and meeting current expenses against which I solemnly protest in the name of good faith towards former benefactors, of honorable maintenance of trusts, and of honest regard to a Church's future. It is a very easy way to live, if Minister and people can for a moment feel it to be honest and right in the sight of God, to pay salaries, etc., out of funds *bequeathed for other purposes* by some trustful man or woman now in Paradise; or to use for salaries money gotten from living Christian men and women for extinction of debts or for other uses; or to borrow, and let the debt roll up which, when only a little bigger, will not probably crush the Church out of being. I do not suppose that I need warn any clergyman or Parish against the canonical offence of putting a mortgage upon a consecrated building: but as your Bishop; as one who feels the anguish of seeing a beautiful Church seemingly about to be lost because of some of the above-mentioned practices; as one who suspects other vestries of being in like manner tempted; I implore every minister and layman in the Diocese to set his face against this unfaithful and ruinous devouring of sacredly bequeathed funds and of consecrated houses of God.

We are passing, dear Brethren, through a period of depression which in degree and continuance is unprecedented in our national

history. Of course it must seriously affect the Church of God. Our hearts must ache as we think of the grievous hindrances to the work of the blessed Gospel in our own land and among the heathen, occasioned by the most natural and accountable but yet injurious indebtedness of the several Committees of the General Board of Missions, in New York. It is *our* indebtedness,— *yours and mine*, my dear brother; for these Committees are only our servants for Jesus' sake. What have you done about it? Can we not unite, all over the Diocese, in a *special* offering in our Churches, on Whitsunday, and help to unshackle "the word of God" which is "bound" by our indifference? Ask God, each one of you, dear Brethren in Christ, what we ought to do in this matter. But again, how grateful ought we to be that in our own Diocese no work has been abandoned by the Church, our clerical lists are as full as last year, and our devoted laymen have perhaps never laid larger offerings on God's altar. And besides it is very noticeable that what God would call success in a Church we are often having, where what men would call success we have not. Some Churches we have which were never more blessed in their spirit and their work for Christ, which are nevertheless greatly distressed, and as men say, "unsuccessful" financially. Let no Christian man pronounce a Parish or Mission ill-designed or unsuccessful merely from a look at its ledger: there are books which will be opened one day which may tell a very different story. The chief end of Christ's Gospel among men is not to establish snug religious corporations and handsomely self-sustained Parishes.

Our past year has been signalized by a meeting of no small importance and significance in the city of Boston,—the Third Annual Congress of the Protestant Episcopal Church. Its results seem to me to have justified all that the warmest friends of the movement could have predicted for it, and I thank God for it. In the autumn we are to have the honor of welcoming to our chief city the General Convention of the Church, for the first time in our history; as also the Triennial Meeting of the Board of Missions. So far as the hosts are concerned, our admirable committees, long since at work and meeting with generous response, will, I think, leave nothing fairly expected of us unprovided for. God's Blessed Spirit only, presiding in its councils, can make the Church's

great Synod a body "of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." I suggest that during the month of September every Lord's Day see all of our churches offering the appointed prayer for the presence of that Holy Spirit with the Council of the Church about to assemble in God's name and presence.

I append hereto such lists of names, dates, etc., as the canons require me to present to you, with the almost daily journal of my official acts: all or any part of which will be read if asked for. And I now commend you all, and your important work, to God and to the word of His grace.

APPENDIX I.

I append lists of interest and value (most of which are required by canon) under three heads.

I. HELPERS AND SEEKERS OF THE SACRED MINISTRY.

1. LAY READERS.

(Holding License till Advent, 1877.)

John T. Adams.	Fred. Leake.
Wm. R. Wills.	Edward A. Kelley.
Henry L. Parker.	Henry M. Snell.
Gardiner P. Gates.	F. L. H. Barton.
Fred. A. Warner.	George R. Curwen.
William C. Lovering.	Fred. F. Sherman.
William H. Bent.	J. E. Manning.
George E. Osgood.	Alfred Gilman, Jr.
Henry P. Webber.	Geo. S. Atwood.
Thomas Mair.	Willmot T. Cox.
Chester C. Conant.	Geo. M. Lovell.
Charles Ely.	C. E. F. Lyon.
Alex. R. Esty.	J. P. Tucker.
Charles B. H. Fessenden.	Melville K. Bailey.
John T. Rose.	Amory B. Gibbs.
Reuben Kidner.	Alex. B. Carver, Jr.
James W. Brown.	Percy C. Webber.
J. D. W. French.	Gustavus Tuckerman, 2d.
Joseph Hale.	Chas. L. Nichols.
Edward O. Stanley.	Edward L. Davis.
A. B. Underwood.	Martin L. Bradford.
Edward Cate.	Dani. B. Stedman.
George T. Stoddard.	Winthrop Sargent.
Edgar W. Upton.	James Folsom.
Andrew A. Harwood.	Clarence E. Kelley.
Arthur H. Barrington.	S. Edward Warren.
Thomas B. Howard.	Lawrence Jacob.
W. D. Vermilye.	

2. POSTULANTS.

William A. Corwin, M. D.,	Admitted	Apr. 21, 1874.
David J. Ayers,	"	July 24, "
George S. Atwood,	"	June 10, 1875.
William E. Hyde,	"	Sept. 10, "
Thomas A. Hyde,	"	" " "
John A. Bevington,	"	" 13, "
James E. Wilkinson,	"	" " "
Fred. W. Peterson,	"	" 21, "
Melville K. Bailey,	"	Jan. 5, 1876.
John B. Seward, Jr.,	"	" " "
Edmund R. Woodman,	"	" 20, "
Robert L. Winkley,	"	July 7, 1876.
Henry W. Winkley,	"	Aug. 10, "
Joseph Carden,	"	Dec. 29, "
Percy C. Webber,	"	" " "
Gustavus Tuckerman, 2d.	"	Mar. 9, 1877.

3. CANDIDATES FOR PRIESTS' ORDERS.

Thomas J. Mackay (Deacon),	Admitted	Mar. 3, 1873.
William H. Groton,	"	Nov. 3, "
George R. Wheelock,	"	" " "
William F. Cheney,	"	July 8, 1874.
Edwin W. Gould,	"	Sept. 7, "
George E. Osgood,	"	Dec. 10, "
Walter Baker,	"	Jan. 8, 1875.
John D. McConkey (Deacon),	"	" " "
John T. Rose,	"	Feb. 1, "
Reuben Kidner,	"	July 19, "
Arthur H. Barrington,	"	Sept. 10, "
Charles J. Palmer,	"	Dec. 10, "
Jeremiah J. Cressy,	"	Sept. 9, 1876.
Henry J. Sheridan,	"	" 13, "

II. THE CLERGY RECORD.

1. CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS-ELECT.

Consents Given.

William Stevens Perry, D. D., LL. D.,	Iowa.
Samuel I. J. Schereschewsky, D. D.,	Shanghai, etc.
C. Clifton Penick, D. D.	Cape Palmas, etc.

2. ORDINATIONS TO THE DIACONATE.

June 18, 1876.	John D. McConkey, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.	
" 22, "	Wm. H. Groton,	} in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Phila.
" " "	Geo. R. Wheelock,	
" " "	Wm. F. Cheney.	

3. ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD.

June 11, 1876. William Lawrence, in Grace Church, Lawrence.

4. RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES.

June 15, 1876.	William P. Tucker, from Northern California.
" 16, "	Amos Skeele, from Rhode Island.
Oct. 2, "	Frederick A. Fiske, from Connecticut.
" " "	William T. Fitch, from Long Island.
Dec. 28, "	Wm. W. Newton, from N. New Jersey.
Jan. 23, 1877.	Alfred E. Johnson, from New York.

5. TRANSFERRED* TO OTHER DIOCESES.

Sept. 19, 1876.	John S. Beers, to Central Pennsylvania.
Oct. 27, "	Frank L. Norton, to Albany.
Nov. 9, "	Ithamar W. Beard, to New Hampshire.
" 20, "	John L. Egbert, to Central New York.
Dec. 3, "	Samuel K. Asbury, to Huron.
Feb. 22, 1877.	T. Logan Murphy, to New Jersey.
Apr. 30, "	Chas. L. Lester, to Illinois.

6. DEPOSED.

Jan. 7, 1877. William Alfred Jenks, Presbyter, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.

* The date given is that of my receipt of acceptance of transfer.

7. DECEASED.

Oct. 1876. Freeborn Coggeshall, Assistant, Ch. of the Advent, Boston.
 Nov. 30, " George Packard, M. D., Rector of Grace Ch., Lawrence.

8. RESIGNATIONS.

Benj. W. Atwell, Rector, Trinity, Ware.
 Levi Boyer, Rector, Grace, Fiskdale.
 John L. Egbert, Assistant, at Christ Ch., Springfield, and in charge of the Chapel
 of the Good Shepherd, West Springfield.
 O. F. Starkey, Rector, Trinity, Wrentham.
 Wm. R. Hooper, Jr., Rector, St. Paul's, Nantucket.
 Tradwell Walden, Rector, St. Paul's, Boston.
 John S. Beers, Rector, Grace, N. Attleborough.
 I. W. Beard, Rector, St. James', S. Groveland.
 B. B. Killikelly, Assistant, Emmanuel, Boston.
 T. Logan Murphy, Rector, Christ Ch., Fitchburg.
 F. L. Norton, Rector, Our Saviour, Longwood.
 Benj. F. Newton, Officiating, Ascension, Ipswich.
 Jas. D. Reid, Rector, St. John's, Gloucester.
 S. U. Shearman, Rector, Trinity, Woburn.
 E. F. Slaughter, Agent Am. Bible Society.
 E. H. True, Rector, St. John's, Taunton.
 Pelham Williams, S. T. D., Rector, Ch. of the Messiah, Boston.
 Wm. F. Lhoyd, Rector, Trinity, Milford.
 R. H. Howe, Rector, Christ, Quincy.
 Chas. F. Babcock, Assistant, Trinity, Boston.
 Henry F. Allen, Rector, Grace, Amherst.
 Geo. R. Wheelock, Assistant, City Mission, Boston.
 Walter H. Gardner, Assistant, Ch. of the Advent, Boston.

9. ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Levi Boyer, Rector, St. Paul's, Nantucket.
 Wm. P. Tucker, Rector, St. Paul's, Holyoke.
 Amos Skeele, in charge, St. Matthew's, Worcester.
 Chas. H. Babcock, Rector, St. Mark's, Boston.
 Wm. F. Cheney (Deacon), in charge, Good Shepherd, Dedham.
 B. B. Killikelly, in charge, Evangelist, Boston.
 Wm. H. Groton (Deacon), Rector, St. Anne's, S. Lincoln.
 George R. Wheelock (Deacon), Assistant, City Mission, Boston.
 John D. McConkey, in charge, St. John's, Millville.
 D. G. Haskins, Rector, St. John's, Arlington.
 Wm. T. Fitch, Rector, Ascension, Fall River.
 Fred A. Fiske, Rector, Grace, N. Attleboro'; and in charge, Trinity, Wrentham.
 W. W. Newton, Rector, St. Paul's, Boston.
 Alfred E. Johnson, Assistant, Christ, Springfield, and in charge Good Shepherd,
 West Springfield.
 B. H. Howe, Rector, Our Saviour, Longwood.
 William Lawrence, Rector, Grace, Lawrence.
 Henry F. Allen, Rector, Messiah, Boston.
 Geo. R. Wheelock (Deacon), Rector, Trinity, Milford.
 Wm. R. Hooper, Jr., Rector, St. John's, Gloucester.
 Sumner U. Shearman, Rector, St. John's, Jamaica Plain.
 Amos Skeele, Assistant, Grace, Lawrence.

III. CHURCHES.

1. CORNER-STONES LAID.

June 8, 1876. Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Oakdale, Dedham, by the Bishop.
 Sept. 16, " House of Prayer, Lowell, by the Rev. T. Edson, D. D.
 " 21, " St. Anne's Chapel, Dorchester, by the Rev. W. W. Silvester, at
 the request of the Bishop.
 Oct. 28, " Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton, by the Bishop.

2. CONSECRATED.

- Oct. 20, 1876. All Saints', Dorchester, by the Bishop.
 Nov. 2, " Good Shepherd, Oakdale, Dedham, by the Bishop.
 Dec. 20, " Grace, Boston (City Mission), by the Bishop.
 Jan. 4, 1877. All Saints', Worcester, by the Bishop.
 Feb. 9, " Trinity, Boston, by the Bishop.
 Apr. 17, " Good Shepherd, Clinton, by the Bishop.

3. OPENED ANEW, OR REOPENED.

- St. John's, Charlestown, by the Bishop, reopened after repairs.
 St. John's, East Boston, reopened after repairs.
 Christ, Springfield, opened anew.
 St. James's, Mission Chapel, Cambridge, opened anew.
 St. John's, Arlington, opened anew.
 The Evangelists', Boston, opened anew.
 House of Prayer, Lowell, opened anew.
 Chapel of St. Stephen's, Lynn, opened anew.
 Chapel of All Saints', Worcester, opened anew.
 Chapel of Christ Ch., Waltham, opened anew.

4. IN BUILDING.

- St. Anne's Chapel, Dorchester.
 Mission Chapel, Brockton.

APPENDIX II.

ABBREVIATIONS. — Pr., Preached; Conf., Confirmed; H. Com., Holy Communion; Addr., Addressed; Com., Committee; Ch., Church; Sun. ar., Sunday after.

CANONICAL RECORD OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

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- May 17. Afternoon: second session of the Eighty-sixth Annual Convention of the Diocese. Delivered my Third Annual Address; evn'g: brief remarks at the Diocesan Choir Festival, which was a most gratifying and valuable success.
 " 18. After morning prayers, presided at sessions of the Convention, morning, afternoon, and evn'g.
 " 19. Meeting of Com. of Boston Public Library.
 " 21. 5th Sun. ar. Easter, A. M.: Christ Ch., Quincy, pr., conf. 6, and addr. them; afternoon: St. Paul's, Boston, pr. and conf. 1.
 " 22. Boston; Conference on Mexican League work.
 " 23. Boston; Com. of Public Library. Executive Com. of City Mission. Second canonical examination of five candidates.
 " 24. Third canonical exam of the same; evn'g: Grace, Medford; pr., conf. 4 (one from Malden), and addr. them.
 " 26. Evn'g: Grace, Newton; pr., conf. 17 (1 from Hyde Park), and addr. them.
 " 27. Evn'g: Trinity, Ware; a long but seemingly profitless conference with the vestry, who are resolved to suspend services for the present.

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- May 28. Sun. ar. Ascension, A. M.: Trinity, Ware; pr. The Rector now resigns, and the prospect is cheerless.
- " 28. Evn'g: Mission, Palmer; pr. This feeble Mission loses its head with the resignation at Ware, and cannot probably be maintained.
- " 29. Ware. Conference with the friends of the Mission; evn'g: Grace, Amherst; pr., conf. 4, and addr. them.
- " 30. St. John's, Northampton; pr., conf. 10, and addr. them.
- " 31. St. John's, Ashfield; pr., and conf. 1.
- June 1. Evn'g: St. Paul's, Holyoke; pr., conf. 4, and addr. them.
- " 2. Atonement, Westfield; pr., conf. 9, and addr. them.
- " 3. At West Farms, conf. 1 sick person for the Atonement, Westfield. Afternoon: St. Philip's, Easthampton; pr., conf. 2, and addr. them.
- " 4. Whitsunday, A. M., St. James', Greenfield; pr., conf. 12, and addr. them; also celebrated the H. Com. Afternoon: catechised and addr. the Sunday School. Evn'g: pr.
- " 5. Monday in Whitsun-week, evn'g: Good Shepherd, West Springfield; pr., conf. 7, and addr. them.
- " 6. Tuesday in Whitsun-week, A. M., Christ, Springfield; *Western Convocation*; celebrated the H. Com. Afternoon: presided at Business Meeting and Discussion. Later, after Evn'g Prayer made an addr. on Missions. Evn'g: pr., conf. 43, and addr. them. This was a joyous day, it being practically the opening of the noble and beautiful church, whose erection reflects great honor on the Parish and its able and devoted Rector.
- " 7. Ember Day: Ch. Rooms, Boston; opened and addr. the *Dakotah League*.
- " 8. In St. Mary's, Dorchester; married a couple, and celebrated H. Com. Afternoon: laid the Corner-stone of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Oakdale, Dedham, and made an address.
- " 9. Ember Day: Boston Executive Com. of City Missions.
- " 10. Com. of Boston Latin School.
- " 11. Trinity Sunday, and St. Barnabas', A. M.: Grace, Lawrence; conf. 28 (including 1 in private), and addr. them; celebrated the H. Com., and ordained to the Priesthood the Rev. Wm. Lawrence, Assistant in this Ch. The sermon was pr. by the Rev. Arthur Lawrence. In the evn'g, to St. John's, Lawrence; pr., conf. 63, and addr. them.
- " 12. Evn'g: St. Anne's, Chelmsford; pr., conf. 5, and addr. them.
- " 13. Boston: Conference on affairs of a vacant Parish. Also Meeting of the Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 14. Afternoon: Trinity, Wrentham, pr., conf. 2, and addr. them. Conference with the Vestry. Evn'g: Grace, North Attleboro', Conference with the Vestry. Pr., conf. 3, and addr. them.
- " 16. Examinations of the Theol. School, Cambridge.
- " 18. 1st Sunday after Trinity: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge, pr.; ord. to the Diaconate John D. McConkey, and administered the H. Com.
- " 22. In Holy Trinity, Philadelphia: pr. on the occasion of the ordination of 18 men, and ordained to the Diaconate Wm. H. Groton, Wm. F. Cheney, and Geo. R. Wheelock.
- " 23. 2d Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: pr., in Grace, Brooklyn Heights, my much loved Parish. Evn'g: St. Peter's, Brooklyn, pr.
- " 27. Hartford, Conn., Directors of the Soc. for the Increase of the Ministry. Also Exec. Com. of same Society.
- " 28. A. M. and P. M.: Trustees of Trinity College.
- " 29. St. Peter's Day: Commencement of Trinity College. Evn'g: Exec. Com. of Soc. for the Increase of the Ministry.
- July 1. Boston: Trustees of St. Luke's Home. Also Exec. Com. of the City Mission Society.
- " 2. 3d Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: Trinity, Weymouth, pr., conf. 3, and addr. them; P. M.: St. Andrew's, Hanover, pr., conf. 4, and addr. them.
- " 5. Evn'g: Mission at Marion, pr., conf. 1, and explained the rite.
- " 6. Evn'g: St. Paul's, Nantucket, pr. and afterwards met the Vestry.
- " 7. Evn'g: Messiah, Wood's Holl, pr., conf. 3, and addr. them.

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- July 8. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Quissett: service and addr.; afterwards met the Trustees.
- " 9. 4th Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: Trinity, Bridgewater, pr., conf. 2 (for Brockton), and addr. them. Evn'g: Mission, Brockton, pr. in the Congregational house of worship, kindly lent the Mission for the occasion.
- " 11. P. M.: Ch. Home for Orphans, Boston, conf. 3 (2 being for St. Matthew's), and addr. them.
- " 16. 5th Sun. ar. Trinity: Centre Bartlett, N. H., held service in a summer boarding-house.
- " 21. Centre Bartlett, N. H.: Met Com. of the Vestry of Trinity, Wrentham.
- " 23, and 30th, 6th and 7th Sun. ar. Trinity: services as on the 16th.
- Aug. 1. Displaced Edwin D. Mead from candidateship for priest's orders.
- " 6. 8th Sun. ar. Trinity: North Conway, N. H., assisted Bp. Niles in the Consecration of Christ Ch. and celebrated the H. Com.
- " 13, 20, and 27, 9th, 10th, and 11th Suns. ar. Trinity: services at Centre Bartlett as before.
- Sept. 1. Boston; Trustees of St. Luke's Home.
- " 3. 12th Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: Emmanuel, Boston, celebrated the H. Com.; evn'g: St. Mark's, Boston, pr.
- " 10. 13th Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: St. John's, Gloucester, read service, pr. and celebrated the H. Com.; afternoon: catechised and addr. the Sun. School; evn'g: read service, pr., and conf. 1.*
- " 11. Evn'g: St. Peter's, Beverly; pr., conf. 3, and addr. them.
- " 12. Boston; Trustees of St. Luke's Home.
- " 16. Evn'g: Mission, Williamstown; pr., conf. 3, and addr. them.
- " 17. 14th Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: St. Mark's, South Adams, pr., afterwards catechised and addr. the Sun. School; afternoon: St. John's, North Adams; pr., conf. 8, and addr. them.
- " 18. Evn'g: Mission, South Lee; pr., conf. 6, and addr. them.
- " 19. P. M.: Trinity, Lenox; meeting of the Western Convocation, pr.
- " 20. Ember Day, A. M.: same place; celebrated the H. Com., and afterwards presided at the business meeting of convocation; evn'g: St. Stephen's, Pittsfield; pr., conf. 9, and addr. them.
- " 21. St. Luke's, Lanesborough; at the "Harvest Home" Festival, pr., celebrated the H. Com., and afterwards made an address.
- " 22. Ember Day, evn'g: St. Paul's, Stockbridge; pr., conf. 17 (1 from South Lee), and addr. them.
- " 23. Ember Day, at Ashley Falls, conf. 1 in private for St. James's, Great Barrington; evn'g: Christ Ch., Sheffield; pr., conf. 3, and addr. them.
- " 24. 15th Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: St. James's, Gt. Barrington, pr., conf. 8, and addr. them; evn'g: Trinity, Vandeusenville, pr., conf. 3, and addr. them.
- " 25. Evn'g: St. George's, Lee; pr., conf. 4, and addr. them.
- " 26. At East Lee, conf. 1 in private, for St. George's, Lee; afternoon: St. Paul's, Otis, not expected on account of the storm, but had prayers with "the two or three" present.
- " 28. Trinity College, Hartford; Trustees' Meeting.
- " 30. Evn'g: Mission, Peabody; pr., conf. 5, and addr. them.
- Oct. 1. 16th Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: Calvary, Danvers; pr., conf., 2, and addr. them; evn'g: Mission, Wakefield; pr., conf. 3, and addr. them.
- " 2. Boston: opened and presided at Clergy Meeting. Also Meeting of Trustees of St. Luke's Home.
- " 5. Boston: Trustees of Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society.
- " 6. " Executive Com. of the City Mission.
- " 8. 17th Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls; pr., conf. 5, and addr. them, also catechised and addr. the Sun. School; afternoon: took part in Evn'g Prayer; evn'g: Chapel of the Evangelists, Boston; pr. in the new chapel, and made an address of con-

* The serious and continued illness of the good Rector made his presence impossible.

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- gratulation on the happy success of the undertaking, which reflects much credit on Mr. Killikely, the minister in charge.
- Oct. 10. A. M.: Holy Trinity, Philadelphia; attended opening services of the Board of Missions; afternoon and evn'g: continued sessions.
- " 11 and 12. Five other sessions of the Board.
- " 13. Holy Trinity, Philadelphia; opening of the House of Bishops; afternoon: session of the House.
- " 14. Two further sessions of the House; evn'g: Com. appointed by the House.
- " 15. 18th Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: at St. James's, Kingsessing, for the Bishop of Pennsylvania, pr., conf. 10, and addr. them; evn'g: St. Andrew's, Philadelphia, pr.
- " 20. All Saints', Dorchester; consecrated the Ch., pr., and celebrated the Holy Com.
- " 21. Evn'g: Mission, Cherry Valley, pr.
- " 22. 19th Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: Christ, Rochdale, pr.; afternoon: Mission, Millbury, pr.; evn'g: St. John's, Wilkinsonville, pr., conf. 8, and addr. them.
- " 26. Christ, Springfield; *Fifth Semiannual Diocesan Missionary Meeting*; afternoon: Sun. School Work; evn'g: Missionary Service and Sermon by Dr. Arey.
- " 27. Second day of Meeting: celebrated the H. Com., *Concio ad Clerum* being delivered by Dr. Parker; conf. 1; afternoon: presided at and addr. the Conference on Missions; evn'g: address at the Missionary Meeting.
- " 28. St. Simon and St. Jude; afternoon: Mission, Clinton, laid the Cornerstone of the new church.
- " 29. 20th Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: same place, pr., conf. 13, and addr. them, afterwards catechised and addr. the Sun. School; evn'g: Mission, Marlboro', pr., and conf. 1.
- " 30. St. Mark's School, Southboro'; met the Trustees and visited the school.
- Nov. 1. All Saints'; Good Shepherd, Boston; celebrated the H. Com.
- " 2. Mission, Oakdale, Dedham; consecrated the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, a beautiful memorial of two happy lives, one now in Paradise; pr., and celebrated the H. Com.; evn'g: met Trustees of St. Luke's Home, Boston.
- " 5. 21st Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: St. Paul's, Natick; pr., conf. 3, and addr. them; also, celebrated the H. Com.; afternoon: addressed the Sun. School; evn'g: St. John's, Framingham; pr.
- " 6. Visited the new church building at Medway Village (with the Treasurer of the Board) and investigated the facts in the case; evn'g: St. John's, Millville; pr., bapt. two adults, conf. 3, and addr. them.
- " 8. Boston, Annual Meeting of City Mission Society.
- " 8. Exec. Com. of City Mission Society.
- " 8. Special Com. of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.
- " 12. 22d Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: Ascension, Fall River, pr., conf. 15, and addr. them; afternoon: Christ, Swansea, preached.
- " 13. Boston: Meeting of the clergy.
- " 13. Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 13. Evn'g: St. Paul's, Boston, Anniversary of Dakota League, at which, Bps. Whipple and Huntington, the Rev. Dr. John A. Paddock, and Samuel Elliot, LL. D., greatly aided by addresses.
- " 14. St. Paul's, Boston: Opening of the Third Ch. Congress of the United States: celebrated the H. Com., assisted by several of the Bps. and Clergy. After services opened the sessions of the Congress in Horticultural Hall, with an address. I had the honor of presiding at the sessions (two a day) till, after a brief address from the president, the Congress closed at a late hour, Friday evn'g, its last meeting being in Music Hall. The Congress was very largely attended by distinguished clergymen and laymen from distant parts of the land and from the Provinces. The audiences were throughout

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beyond the capacity of the places of meeting, and were profoundly interested in the able discussions. Great good, it is thought, must result from the meeting. I congratulate the Diocese on the largeness and perfection of the hospitality tendered to our guests, by which a very able committee of our clergy and laity brought honor upon us as a church and people.

- Nov. 19. 23d Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: Reconciliation, Webster, pr., conf. 6, and addr. them; afternoon: Grace, Oxford, pr.
- " 20. Evn'g: Trinity, Milford, pr., conf. 2. and addr. them.
- " 21. Afternoon: St. Paul's, Hopkinton, pr., and conf. 1.
- " 22. Christ, Rochdale; Central Convocation: celebrated the H. Com.; later, presided at business meeting; addressed the Conf.; Missionary address in the evening.
- " 23. Boston; a Com. of St. Luke's Home.
- " 26. 24th Sun. ar. Trinity, A. M.: Christ, Cambridge, pr., conf. 7, and addr. them; evn'g: St. Paul's, Malden, pr., conf. 3, and addr. them.
- " 27. Boston; address at meeting of the clergy; afternoon: Church Home for Orphans; Annual Meeting of the Corporation; services in the chapel, with an address.
- " 28. St. James's, Boston; addressed the Parish Guild.
- " 30. St. Andrew's, and Thanksgiving Day, A. M.: St. Mark's, Boston, pr.
- Dec. 1. Corporation of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.
- " 3. 1st Sun. in Advent, A. M.: St. John's, East Boston, pr., celebrated H. Com., conf. 23, and addr. them; evn'g: Good Shepherd, Boston; pr., conf. 14, and addr. them.
- " 4. In Grace Church, Lawrence, and at the Cemetery, officiated at the funeral of the Rev. Dr. Packard, late Rector, and made an address.
- " 5. Boston: Corporation of City Mission Society; Exec. Com. of the same.
- " 6. Boston: Finance Com. Dioc. Board of Missions.
- " 7. Evn'g: Good Shepherd, Boston, pr.
- " 8. A Committee of Trustees of St. Luke's Home.
- " 10. 2d Sun. in Advent, A. M.: Grace, New Bedford, pr., afterwards conf. 1 in private; aft'n: addr. and catechised the S. School; evn'g: pr., conf. 17, and addr. them.
- " 11. Boston: Committee of City Missions.
- " 12. Ep. Theol. School, Cambridge: after prayers, addr. the students.
- " 14. Boston: Finance Com. of Dioc. Board of Missions.
- " 15. Trustees St. Luke's Home.
- " 17. 3d Sunday in Advent: A. M., St. Mary's for Sailors, Boston, pr., conf. 8, addr. them; afternoon: assisted at St. Paul's, Boston; evn'g: Advent, Boston, pr., conf. 21, and addressed them; also made a brief address in behalf of Diocesan Missions.
- " 19. A. M.: Joint meeting of the Eastern and Southern Convocation in St. John's, East Boston; celebrated the H. Com., presided at the business meeting; also at the Clerical Conference, and made address. In the evn'g addr. the Missionary meeting.
- " 20. Grace, Boston (City Mission), consecrated the beautiful and well-planned new Ch. in Washington Village, celebrated the H. Com. and preached.
- " 21. Boston: Trustees of Episcopal Clerical Fund.
- " " " " Widows' and Orphans' Society.
- " 24. 4th Sun. in Advent, A. M.: reopened and pr. in St. John's, Charlestown, after extensive and admirable repairs, accomplished chiefly through the bequests of the late Peter Hubbell, Esq., Senior Warden of the Parish, and his departed wife.
- " Christmas Eve: Mission, East Cambridge, pr., conf. 8, and addr. them.
- " 25. Christmas Day, A. M.: Christ, Boston, pr. and celebrated the H. Com.
- " 27. Finance Com. Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 29. Met with and organized "The Lady Associates of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents."
- " 31. 1st Sun. ar. Christmas, A. M.: St. Margaret's, Brighton, pr., conf. 2, and addr. them; celebrated the H. Com.; evn'g: St. Luke's, Chelsea, pr., conf. 13, and addr. them, also brief addr. on Diocesan Missions.

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- Jan. 2. Displaced Chas. E. Stowe from Candidateship for Priest's Orders.
 " 3. In the Church of the Advent, Boston; married a couple.
 " 4. All Saints', Worcester; consecrated the noble new Ch., and pr. This church and chapel are a triumph of faith and zeal.
 " 5. Boston; Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society.
 " 6. Epiphany; Trustees of St. Luke's Home; evn'g: St. James's, Cambridge; pr., conf. 6, and addr. them.
 " 7. 1st Sun. ar. Epiphany, A. M.: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge, pr., celebrated the H. Com., conf. 11, and addr. them. After service, deposed from the ministry Wm. Alfred Jenks, Presbyter; afternoon: St. John's, Arlington; pr., conf. 6, and addr. them.
 " 10. Evn'g: Chapel of the Evangelists, Boston; pr., conf. 31, and addr. them.
 " 11. Committee of Trustees of St. Luke's Home.
 " 13. Lady Associates of St. Luke's Home.
 " 14. 2d Sun. ar. Epiphany, A. M.: St. Mary's, Dorchester; pr., conf. 14, and addr. them; afternoon: All Saints', Dorchester: pr., conf. 3, and addr. them.
 " 15. Two Committees of Lady Associates of St. Luke's Home.
 " 19. Evn'g: Good Shepherd Mission, Oakdale; pr., conf. 14, and addr. them.
 " 20. Finance Com. of Diocesan Board of Missions.
 " 21. 3d Sun. ar. Epiphany, A. M.: Grace, Boston (City Mission), pr., conf. 12, and addr. them; celebrated the H. Com.; evn'g: St. Matthew's, Boston; pr., conf. 28, and addr. them.
 " 23. Committee on the organization of a Parish.
 " 24. Met the deputies and substitutes of the last General Convention in preparation for the next General Convention, to be held in Boston.
 " 25. Conference concerning pastoral and parochial difficulties. Also sub-committee on General Convention.
 " 26. St. Paul's Chapel, Boston; conference with nearly fifty of the clergy in reference to the need of a wise walk and multiplied zeal and labors during the coming religious movement.
 " 28. Septuagesima, A. M.: Christ, Hyde Park, pr., conf. 12, and addr. them; afternoon: St. Paul's, Brookline, pr., conf. 11, and addr. them.
 " 29. In St. John's, Waterbury, Ct., took part in the funeral solemnities of the truly good Pastor and holy Priest, Jacob L. Clark, D. D. The Ch. throughout the land is bereaved by such a loss. Visited St. Margaret's School, the new and delightful Diocesan School for Girls. Oh, that God could deem His Church in this Diocese worthy of such honor, strength, and usefulness as are here exhibited! This school is laymen's work and laymen's glory, but the whole Church's lasting benefit and honor.
 " 30. Evn'g: St. Paul's, Boston; public meeting in behalf of the Foreign and the Mexican branches of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions. Addresses were made by the Rev. Dr. Riley, Bishop-elect of the Ch. of Jesus in Mexico, the Rev. Messrs. Brooks and Shinn, and by myself.
 " 31. Evn'g: St. Stephen's (City Mission), Boston, pr. conf. 7, and addr. them.
 Feb. 4. Sexagesima, A. M.: St. John's, Lowell, at an early hour took part in morning prayer; later pr., celebrated the H. Com., conf. 12 and addr. them; also made a brief address on Diocesan Missions. After service addr. the Sun. School. Afternoon: St. Anne's, Chelmsford, pr., conf. 2, and addr. them; evn'g: St. Anne's, Lowell, pr., conf. 24, and addr. them.
 " 5. Boston: Diocesan Board of Missions.
 " 6. Exec. Com. of the City Mission.
 " 7. Evn'g: St. Michael's, Marblehead, pr., conf. 2, and addr. them.
 " 8. Met with a committee of the Diocesan Board.
 " 9. Boston: Consecrated Trinity Ch. and celebrated the H. Com. Dr. Alex. Vinton, of Emmanuel, pr. the sermon. There were present Bps. Potter, Niles, and Howe, of Central Pennsylvania, and about 120 of our Ch. clergy from various parts of the land. This magnif-

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- icent temple, in some respects, perhaps, unparalleled by any of our churches in the land, despite its vast cost and the troublous times, was offered to the Lord free from debt, or incumbrance on land, Ch. chapel, or furniture. The consecration of this Ch. marks an epoch in our history in this Commonwealth.
- Feb. 11. Quinquagesima. A. M.: St. Matthew's, Worcester, pr.; afternoon: All Saints', Worcester, catechised and addr. the S. School; evn'g: same Ch., pr., conf. 13, and addressed them.
- " 12. Boston: addr. a meeting of the clergy.
- " 14. A. M.: St. Paul's, Boston, took part in the service; evn'g; St. John's, Jamaica Plain, pr., conf. 21, and addr. them. The tokens of renewed prosperity in this depressed Parish are very cheering.
- " 15. Boston: Com. of Woman's Auxiliary; Com. of Ep. City Missions.
- " 17. Standing Committee of St. Mark's School.
- " 18. 1st Sunday in Lent, A. M.: St. Mark's, Boston, pr., conf. 19, and addr. them; also brief address on Dioc. Missions; evn'g: Good Shepherd, Boston (2d visitation), pr., conf. 17, and addr. them.
- " 20. A. M.: Trinity, Boston, joint meeting of the Eastern and the Southern Convocations; celebrated the H. Com.; presided at meeting for essays and discussions; evn'g: presided at the Missionary meeting, and made a brief address.
- " 21. Afternoon: Boston; Dakota League Meeting, at which Bishop Hare made an address; evn'g: Trinity, Melrose; pr., conf. 3, and addr. them.
- " 25. 2d Sun. in Lent, A. M.: Grace, Medford; pr., conf. 5, and celebrated the H. Com.; afternoon: took part at Evn'g Prayer, and made an address; evn'g: Trinity, Woburn; pr.
- " 28. Evn'g: St. Paul's, Dedham; pr.
- Mar. 2. Met a Com. from a Mission: evn'g: Messiah, West Newton; pr., conf. 4, and addr. them.
- " 4. 3d Sun. in Lent, A. M.: St. John's, Charlestown; pr., conf. 15, and addr. them; evn'g: St. Stephen's, Lynn; pr., conf. 14, and addr. them. also conf. 1 in private.
- " 5. A. M.: Boston, first examination of six Candidates for the Priesthood; afternoon: Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 6. Second Examination of four Candidates. These arduous labors are most faithfully performed by the Examining Chaplains.
- " 7. Evn'g: Emmanuel, Somerville; pr., and conf. 1.
- " 8. Evn'g: Evangelists', Boston; pr.
- " 10. Evn'g: St. John's, Taunton; conference with the Vestry.
- " 11. 4th Sunday in Lent, A. M.: St. Thomas's, Taunton; conf. 28, and addr. them, also celebrated the H. Com.; afternoon: catechised and addr. the Sun. School; later, pr. at Evn'g Prayers; evn'g: St. John's, Taunton, pr. Parish vacant. Second Conference with the Vestry.
- " 14. Afternoon: St. Mark's, Southboro', pr., conf. 6, and addr. them.
- " 15. General Committee on the General Convention.
- " 16. A. M., St. Paul's, Boston, morning prayer, and addr.; evn'g: St. Mary's, Dorchester (2d visitation, pr., conf. 14, besides 3 from All Saints', Dorchester, and 1 from St. James's, Boston), and addr. them.
- " 18. 5th Sun. in Lent, A. M.: St. Paul's, Boston; pr., conf. 18, and addr. them; evn'g.: Christ, Andover, pr., conf. 5, and addr. them.
- " 19. Evn'g: St. James's, Amesbury, pr., conf. 10, and addr. them; stricken with poverty (all industries having ceased), but full of spiritual life.
- " 20. Evn'g: St. Paul's, Newburyport, pr., conf. 41, and addr. them.
- " 21. A. M.: Conf. 1 in private for the same; St. Paul's Chapel, Newburyport, took part at morning prayers, and made an addr.; evn'g: Ascension, Ipswich, pr., conf. 13, and addr. them. The Parish is now under the charge of a Lay leader, who is a skilled workman.
- " 22. Boston: Trustees St. Luke's Home; trustees Widows' and Orphans' Society.
- " 25. Sun. before Easter, A. M.: St. Thomas's, Somerville, pr., conf. 13, and addr. them; afternoon: Trinity, Boston, conf. 53, and addr. them.
- " 27. Tuesday bef. Easter, evn'g: St. James's, Boston Highlands, pr., conf. 20, and addr. them.

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- Mar. 28. Wednesday bef. Easter, P. M.: met Trustees and Lady Associates of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents; evn'g: Emmanuel, Boston, pr., conf. 12, and addr. them.
- " 29. Thursday bef. Easter, evn'g: Messiah, Boston, pr., conf. 9 (including 1 from Trinity), and addr. them.
- " 30. Good Friday, A. M.: St. John's, Charlestown, pr.; evn'g: St. Peter's, Cambridge, pr., conf. 19, and addr. them.
- April 1. Easter Day, A. M.: St. John's, Boston Highlands, pr., celebrated the H. Com., conf. 38, and addr. them; P. M.: Christ, Boston, pr., conf. 19, and addr. them.
- " 3. A. M.: Annual Meeting of the Boston Episcopal Charitable Society, a most interesting and venerable society, the oldest incorporated benevolent association, I believe, in the land; P. M.: opened with appropriate religious services the new St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston. Addresses were made by the Bishop and several of the brethren. A day of gladness and thanksgiving.
- " 8. 1st Sun. ar. Easter, A. M.: Christ, Norwich, Conn. pr.; P. M.: pr., in Trinity, Norwich.
- " 11. Hartford, Conn.: Executive Com. of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry.
- " 14. Boston: Com. from the vestry of Woburn; also from Swansea; P. M.: Christ, Hyde Park, officiated at a funeral.
- " 15. 2d Sun. ar. Easter, A. M.: St. John the Evangelist, Haverhill; pr., conf. 21, and addr. them; at noon catechised and addr. the Sun. School; P. M.: St. James's, South Groveland; addr. the congregation: evn'g: Trinity, Haverhill, pr., conf. 15, and addr. them.
- " 16. P. M., Boston: Trustees Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society; later: Annual Meeting of the Society; evn'g: Christ, Cambridge (second visitation), pr., conf. 15 (1 from St. John's), and addr. them.
- " 17. Clinton: Mission of the Good Shepherd; consecrated the Ch. and celebrated the H. Com. This tasteful and convenient Ch. owes much to one or two faithful and generous men of its communion, and is the second Ch. built within two years in Missions originated by the Diocesan Board. Dr. Huntington's sermon was admirably adapted to the condition of our work in Clinton, and would be of use in all New England Missions of the Ch., if printed.
- " 18. Evn'g: Advent, Boston (2d visitation), pr., conf. 45, and addr. them.
- " 19. St. Stephen's, Lynn; *Sixth Semiannual Diocesan Missionary Meeting*; P. M.: addressed meeting in behalf of Sun. Schools and Missions; evn'g: Missionary meeting.
- " 20. A. M.: pr. *ad clerum*, and celebrated the H. Com.; P. M.: Public conference on Missionary matters, address; evn'g: address at the closing Missionary meeting. The services throughout seemed interesting and edifying to all present, and productive of lasting good, we hope.
- " 21. Committee from Vestry of Quincy.
- " 22. 3d Sun. ar. Easter, A. M.: Christ, Waltham, pr., conf. 10, and addr. them; evn'g: St. Anne's, South Lincoln, pr., and made a brief address on Dioc. missions.
- " 23. Boston: Standing Com. as council of advice.
- " 25. St. Mark the Evangelist, A. M.: in St. Mark's Ch., Southboro', celebrated the H. Com.; at St. Mark's school, annual meeting of the Trustees; P. M., second session of the same; evn'g: Christ, Fitchburg, pr., conf. 6, and addr. them. Parish vacant for months past.
- " 26. St. Paul's, Dedham; evn'g: pr., conf. 18 (6 of whom were brought by Dr. Van Kleeck from Christ, Hyde Park), and addr. them.
- " 29. A. M.: St. Peter's, Salem; pr., conf. 26, and addr. them. A movement is nearly complete to secure a Rectory for the Parish, which seems by every token to be most prosperous: evn'g: Grace, Salem; pr., conf. 6, and addr. them.
- " 30. Regular meeting of the Visitors of the Theological School.
- May 1. Annual Meeting of Episcopal Clerical Fund Association. Meeting

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of Trustees of Society for Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen: Annual Meeting of the same Society; afternoon: Meeting of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

- May 2. This morning in St. Paul's, Boston, I have taken part with several of the brethren at the opening services of this Convention, and have celebrated the H. Com. May the good Lord pardon all shortcomings, and bless all honest endeavors in your Bishop's last year's service. I have no fears as I ask a kindly and generous consideration at the hands of these my beloved brethren.

The Secretary announced that he had appointed the Rev. WM. HENRY BROOKS, D. D., Assistant Secretary, subject to the approval of the Convention.

On motion of DR. SHATTUCK, the above appointment was confirmed.

On motion of RICHARD H. DANA, Jr., —

Resolved, That the BISHOP's address be referred to a Special Committee of three, to report upon the reference of portions of it to other Committees.

The CHAIR appointed as that Committee, the Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D., the Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D. D., JOSEPH W. CLARK.

The Rev. Dr. LANGDON offered the following resolution: —

Resolved, That it be referred to a Special Committee to consider whether it is expedient that this Convention should take any, and if so, what measures to enlist a more general interest in the General Missions of this Church.

On motion of the Rev. E. L. DROWN, —

Resolved, That this matter be referred to the Special Committee appointed on the Resolution of RICHARD H. DANA, Jr.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D., Secretary of the Standing Committee, presented the Annual Report of that body.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee present the following Report: —

The Committee was organized on the fifth day of June, 1876, by the election of the Rev. Thomas R. Lambert, D. D., as President, and of the Rev. Henry Burroughs, D. D., as Secretary.

Twelve meetings have been held during the Conventional year.

The Committee have signed the Canonical Testimonials consenting to the Consecration of the Rev. William Stevens Perry, D. D., Bishop-elect of Iowa. They have also signed the Testimonials required in Canon 15, of Title I, Sect. XVII [2] of the Digest, consenting to the Consecration of the Rev. Samuel Isaac Joseph Schereschewsky, D. D., elected by the House of Bishops, Missionary Bishop of Shanghai with jurisdiction in China, and of the Rev. C. Clifton Penick, elected Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas, Africa, and parts adjacent.

They have signed the Canonical Testimonials recommending to the Bishop, as Candidates for Holy Orders, J. Jewett Cressy and Henry J. Sheridan. They have signed the Testimonials required by Canon, recommending to the Bishop for Deacon's orders, George R. Wheelock and Edwin Walter Gould, and for Priests' Orders, the Rev. William Mansfield Groton, the Rev. George R. Wheelock, and the Rev. Thomas Jones Mackay.

They have given their consent in accordance with Canon 6, Sect. 3, of Title I to the ordination to the Diaconate of George R. Wheelock and Edwin Walter Gould within the period of three years from their admission as Candidates for Holy Orders. And they have given their advice and consent in accordance with Canon 8, Sect. 11, of Title I to the ordination of the Rev. William Mansfield Groton and the Rev. George R. Wheelock within one year from their reception of Deacon's Orders.

They have given their consent to the organization of the Mission of the Good Shepherd, Oakdale, in Dedham, as an independent Parish.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee.

HENRY BURROUGHS,
Secretary.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD presented the Annual Report of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

In presenting the Third Annual Report to the Convention it seems proper to review the work of the Diocesan Board of Missions during the three years of its organization. At its formation the Board found committed to its care about forty Parishes and Mission Stations which had before been organized and aided by the various missionary bodies existing in the Diocese. To maintain these Parishes and stations has been the chief work to which the Board has devoted itself, feeling justified in assuming the burden of such additional new fields only as presented imperative claims. The adjustment of the funds provided for its use to the needs or claims of the various Parishes and stations has been a chief subject of anxiety and thought. The policy of the Board was set forth in a resolution passed at the first meeting after it was formed and communicated to all concerned, to the effect that it is "the intention of the Board to diminish the amounts of its appropriations as speedily as circumstances may warrant, and that it is expected that Parishes will exert themselves to dispense altogether with missionary aid at the earliest possible moment." With a single exception or two, this expectation has not been met, owing, doubtless, in part to causes connected with the great depression of these three years. But it is to be remembered that the Board of Missions is to be regarded as a temporary helper, and not as a permanent support. The Board fear that in too many cases the effort is not made, as it ought to be, to become self-supporting. Where aid can be obtained, it is natural enough to rely upon it, and when this aid has been long continued, the regular return of the quarterly payment may become so much a matter of course as to lead even very good men who have the charge of the finances of the Parish or Mission to lose sight of the fact that it may be possible, with a little more zeal and effort and self-denial, to raise among their own people the amount that is given by the Board.

In preceding Reports the Convention has been forcibly reminded that the Board looks to the Parishes of the Diocese for funds to meet its obligations. This is the

only safe and sure basis upon which to carry on the missionary work. And although there is every reason for encouragement in the increasing liberality of the Parishes, yet the contributions from this source have not been at all adequate to meet the demands made upon the Board. The generous gifts of individuals have alone saved the Board from presenting great deficits in its treasury. During the past year the question has come most seriously before the Board, Shall the policy of past years be continued, or shall a change be made in the appropriations? As the regular canonical contributions are not equal to the expenditures, shall the expenditures be brought nearer to the contributions? This subject has occupied the Board in many of its meetings the last year, and has been considered as thoroughly as possible. One result was reached. It seemed that the time had come when the Board should carry out the intention mentioned in the resolution quoted above. Taking all due care in the matter, the Board decided to reduce the appropriations to certain Parishes, and notice of this action was sent to the Parishes interested. A second result is hoped to be reached. It has hitherto been almost invariably the demand of separate Parishes and Mission Stations that they must have the exclusive services of a clergyman. The reasons of such a demand seem plausible, and if there were an overflowing treasury it might be prudent to yield to such a wish. In such a course, however, there is both a waste of money and a waste of effort. A Parish or a station, with its score or two of families or communicants, cannot, in a profitable manner, employ the time of a minister, and money is expended which might be more advantageously used. The stress under which the Board is working, if no other reason, compels it to declare its firm conviction that new measures are necessary, and that two or more Parishes or stations conveniently situated should be joined in one cure. It is proposed to perfect and carry out this plan wherever it is practicable. The missionary work cannot suffer by this arrangement, the treasury of the Board will be in a better condition, and the Missionary himself can receive a support which will insure him a more comfortable subsistence.

We come before the Church with an empty treasury and with a debt of \$1,735. We have only to say to our brethren, that what the Board shall do hereafter must depend upon the love and loyalty of the Churchmen and Churchwomen of Massachusetts. We cannot incur debts unless we can see a reasonable prospect of their being paid. We must indeed plan in faith, but we must at the same time exercise common prudence. The Church must "owe no man anything." The Church must meet all her obligations promptly. New fields invite us to occupy them, and the Board would gladly enter upon them, but we can expend only what the Church gives us to expend. And therefore, as we look around upon this Diocese, presenting, as it seems to us, so large a field for mission work, we ask every member of the Church, rich or poor, —

What do you wish us to do for the extension of the Church you love?

How much will you give us to expend for you, as your personal offering to Almighty God?

In conclusion the Board presents the following resolutions for the action of the Convention:—

Resolved, In order to excite a deeper interest in the work of the Board, to secure a more general support, and to reap the full benefit of the zeal and love of all who are members of this Diocese, that the clergymen in their various Parishes and cures be requested to explain at suitable times in public service the nature

of the work of the Board as to what it is doing, what its needs are, and what the future demands.

The BISHOP asked the consent of the House to add two other names to the Special Committee on the Bishop's address, which being granted, the CHAIR appointed the Rev. ALEXANDER H. VINTON, D. D., and RICHARD H. DANA, Jr., additional members.

Dr. SHATTUCK moved that the Resolution with which the Report of the Diocesan Board of Missions closes be adopted.

During the discussion of this motion the Special Committee on the Bishop's address appeared, and it was

Resolved, That the motion of Dr. SHATTUCK be deferred, to give attention to the Report of the Committee.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D., presented the following report from the Special Committee: —

The Committee to whom was referred the address of the Bishop to the Convention respectfully report, recommending that the following subjects be referred to Special Committees of three each.

1. Our pecuniary obligations to the General Board of Missions.
2. The indebtedness of the Diocesan Board of Missions.
3. The mismanagement of Parochial and other Ecclesiastical Funds, and the danger of subjecting consecrated buildings to legal incumbrances.
4. The endowment of St. Mark's School, Southborough.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, from the Committee on New Parishes, reported that there had been no application presented for admission into union with the Convention.

The Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL presented the Report from the Finance Committee.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Committee on Finance respectfully report that they have examined the Treasurer's report and find it duly vouched and correctly cast. Also that it will be necessary, in order to meet the expenses of the Convention for the coming year, to make an assessment upon the Parishes of the Diocese of two per cent. upon the amount of salary paid to the Rectors thereof, and they recommend that such assessment be made.

GEORGE W. DURELL.
HENRY M. LOVERING.

Dr. SHATTUCK moved that the Report of the Finance Committee be accepted, and the recommendation therein named be adopted.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, —

Resolved, That this motion be amended by substituting one and one half for two per cent.

Which amendment was carried, and the Report, thus amended, was adopted.

The Special Committees recommended by the Report of the Committee on the Bishop's address were appointed by the CHAIR, as follows : —

On our pecuniary obligations to the General Board of Missions	{ The Rev. CHAUNCY LANGDON, D. D. " " ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D. D. ROBERT M. MASON.
On the indebtedness of the Diocesan Board of Missions	{ The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS. " " WILLIAM P. TUCKER. EDWARD L. DAVIS.
On the mismanagement of Parochial and other Ecclesiastical Funds . .	{ The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN. " " WILLIAM W. SILVESTER. FRANCIS C. FOSTER.
On the endowment of St. Mark's School	{ The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D. JOSEPH STORY FAY.

On motion of Dr. SHATTUCK, the Convention adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9 o'clock.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, 9 o'clock, A. M., May 3.

Convention reassembled.

Morning Prayer through the Psalms was read by the Rev. WILLIAM P. TUCKER, the Lessons by the Rev. FRANCIS W. SMITH, the remainder of Morning Prayer by the Rev. HENRY MACKAY, and the BISHOP then announced the 171st hymn, and closed the service with Collects and the Benediction.

The minutes of yesterday's Session were read and approved.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. WELLS, —

Resolved, That the Rules of Order, so far as regards the calling of the Roll, be suspended.

The Resolution contained in the Report of the Diocesan Board of Missions, the consideration of which was postponed yesterday, being called up, the Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN offered the following amendment, —

And that the Wardens and Vestrymen of the Parishes in the Diocese be requested to do what they can in their respective Parishes to awaken a greater interest in the Missions of the Diocese.

Which, on motion, was adopted.

The Rev. HENRY MACKAY offered the following amendment to the amendment of the Rev. GEO. W. SHINN: —

And it is further resolved that the Bishop be, and is hereby respectfully requested to afford the clergy and laity of the Convention now in session, and to the Parishes not represented, opportunity to contribute in money, or pledges, such amounts as they may be disposed to give, to clear off the existing indebtedness of the Board; provided, that the Board do not again contract a debt that they are not willing to meet in case there be one, without making urgent and grievous appeals to the Convention to pay off their debts.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, the above amendment to the amendment of the Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN was laid on the table.

The Rev. Dr. HOWARD read the Annual Report of the Central Convocation.

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL CONVOCATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 1ST, 1877.

During the year just ended, the Central Convocation has held meetings at Christ Church, Fitchburg, Christ Church, Rochdale, and at All Saints', Worcester.

At the annual meeting in June of last year the Rev. Roger S. Howard, D. D., was re-elected Dean, Mr. James H. Marshall, of Webster, was elected Secretary and Treasurer, and the Rev. J. I. T. Coolidge, D. D., of Southboro', and James H. Howe, Esq., of Webster, were chosen to represent the Convocation on the Diocesan Board of Missions.

The several meetings and sessions of the Convocation, comprising on each occasion the celebration of the Holy Communion, the delivery of an essay by one of the clerical members followed by a free discussion of its topic, and a Missionary meeting in the evening, have been well attended by the clerical members of the Convocation and by the laity of the several Parishes where meetings have been held. But it is to be regretted that the lay members, who are defined by our Constitution to be the Wardens and Delegates to the Diocesan Convention of the several Parishes within the geographical limits of the Convocation, have not, as a rule, attended our meetings, only three Parishes having been regularly represented during the whole period of our Convocational existence.

At the November meeting, held in Rochdale, the Convocation were cheered and encouraged by the presence of the Right Rev. the Bishop, who addressed the meeting in the evening, stirring up the hearts of the faithful to renewed zeal in the Master's service.

The February meetings were held in the new and beautiful Church and Chapel of All Saints', Worcester, and were largely attended, notwithstanding the frequent Lenten services in which the clergy and people of the Parish were then engaged.

Since our last report, one of the Mission Stations within our Convocational limits has become a Parish, namely, that at Clinton; and a beautiful and con-

venient Church has been there erected, paid for, and consecrated by the name of "The Church of the Good Shepherd."

The Convocation at its February meeting voted to donate the balance of the funds in its treasury to the new Parish, to aid in furnishing the Church. Thus, through manifold discouragements to mission work, and in the hard, if not inimical, soil of Central Massachusetts, the Church gains ground. Trusting in the promise of her Divine Founder, "Lo, I am with you always," and strengthened by His strength, may all, both clergy and laity, bend to the work within our borders until "the little one shall become a thousand."

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. MARSHALL, *Secretary*.

The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS presented the Annual Report of the Eastern Convocation:—

The Eastern Convocation of the Diocese respectfully reports as follows:—

Meetings have been held at St. Paul's Mission, Peabody, in Whitsun week, and in St. Stephen's Parish, Lynn, in September. An invitation to meet with the Southern Convocation at St. John's, East Boston, during the Ember week in December, was accepted, and the two Convocations also met in joint session at Trinity Church, Boston, during Lent. The November meeting was omitted on account of the Church Congress. The interest during the year has been well sustained, with an increased attendance of the Laity, especially at Lynn. An unusual attendance of the parishioners here deserves especial mention.

The progress of the Mission Stations within the convocational limits has been made the subject of inquiry at all the Sessions, and in this way an effort made to aid the Central Board by our assembling together. One offering has also been asked at each meeting for the Treasury of the Board.

The Dean of the Convocation, the Rev. Theo. Edson, D. D., and Mr. F. C. Foster have been re-elected as members from the Convocation of the Board of Missions.

WM. G. WELLS, *Secretary*.

The Rev. REGINALD H. HOWE presented the Annual Report of the Southern Convocation:—

REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN CONVOCATION.

The Southern Convocation gratefully reports that it is in a condition of vigorous life. Four meetings have been held during the year in Christ Church, Quincy, in St. Paul's Church, Dedham, in St. John's Church, East Boston, and in Trinity Church, Boston, with an average attendance of seventeen, an increase of five over last year.

Ten new members have been added, five of them residents of Boston, where the clergy have the right of selection of Convocation.

A feature of the year has been two joint meetings with the Eastern Convocation, which, it is believed, have promoted both purposes for which the Convocation exists,—the "mutual counsel and edification" of its members, and by larger public meetings greater knowledge of and interest in the Missionary work of the

Diocese. At present these seem to be the chief offices which it is able to discharge.

The officers elected at the June meeting were, Dean, the Rev. G. S. Converse; Secretary and Treasurer, Rev. R. H. Howe; and to represent the Convocation in the Diocesan Board of Missions, Mr. Jos. Story Fay and the Secretary.

REGINALD H. HOWE, *Secretary*.

The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D., presented the Annual Report of the Western Convocation.

The Western Convocation respectfully reports:—

Four meetings have been held, two in Christ Church, Springfield, one in Trinity Church, Lenox, and one in St. John's Church, Northampton.

The two officers for the year ensuing are the Rev. Alexander Burgess, s. t. d., Dean, and the Rev. William McGlathery, Treasurer, who constitute the Executive Committee.

The office of Secretary is vacant by the regretted removal from the bounds of the Convocation to the Church of the Messiah, Boston, of the Rev. Henry F. Allen, for some years Secretary.

The Rev. Alexander Burgess, s. t. d., of Springfield, and Charles H. Reed, of St. John's Church, North Adams, have been chosen members of the Diocesan Board of Missions for the ensuing Conventional year.

The Bishop of the Diocese favored the Convocation with his presence, advice, and earnest spirit at three of these Sessions.

By order,

ALEXANDER BURGESS.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN presented a Report from the Committee on the Diocesan School for Girls:—

The Committee on the proposed Diocesan School for Girls report:—

That they have made no progress in the work for which they were appointed, owing, in part, to the general financial depression which has made it difficult to secure a hearing for any new enterprise requiring the expenditure of money, and also to the fact that at the present time there seems to be but little interest felt by the majority of the Church people of the Diocese in a school of this character.

There are three ways in which such a school may *eventually* be secured:—

First. If, in any way, the members of our Church in this Diocese become convinced that their daughters can be better educated in an institution under the control of the Church, there will be the readiness to provide whatever may be needed for its establishment.

However, with the many facilities already provided in this State for the education of girls, and with admirable Diocesan schools established elsewhere, so accessible that many pupils are sent from here to them, it is probable that it will be a long while before any general interest can be awakened in having a Diocesan School in Massachusetts.

Second. It is possible that some person or persons of large means may, in the future, become desirous of doing the good work for the Diocese of founding such an institution. The many examples in all parts of the land of devotion of great sums of money to the establishing of educational institutions may incite some

who love the Church and her ways to provide, upon a generous scale, the means for building up an institution which will become an ever-increasing blessing to the Diocese.

Third. Some private school, in good hands, well conducted and reliable, might be adopted by the Diocese, and under its supervision and patronage grow to larger proportions and greater efficiency, and eventually become all that we could desire.

It seems to the Committee important that the general subject should be kept before the Diocese, not unduly pressed, but presented as one worthy of very serious consideration, as offering another agency for advancing the interests of our Church in Massachusetts.

In accordance with the recommendations of a Committee of the General Convention, appointed to consider the subject of Christian Education, this Committee beg to offer the following resolution:—

That a Committee of three clergymen and two laymen be appointed, to be called "The Committee on Christian Education," whose duty it shall be to consider plans for the education of young people in such way that the religion of the Lord Jesus may be best brought to influence their minds and hearts, that they lead godly and Christian lives.

GEO. W. SHINN, <i>Chairman</i> , GEORGE W. DURELL, CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, EDWARD L. DAVIS, J. GARDNER WHITE,	} Committee.
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Resolved, That the resolution with which the above Report concludes be adopted.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROLD, the Treasurer of the Diocese, presented his Annual Account. (Appendix.)

The Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLET, Registrar of the Diocese, read his Annual Report.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR.

During the last twelve months there has been sent to this department a bundle of papers of the Standing Committee of this Diocese, from May, A. D. 1875, to May, A. D. 1876, by the Rev. Secretary of that Committee; also the Journal of the Eighty-sixth Convention of this Diocese, by the Rev. Secretary thereof; and from the Secretaries or Registrars of their respective Dioceses, Journals for A. D. 1876, of the Dioceses of Albany, Connecticut, Delaware, Fond du Lac, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Long Island, Minnesota, Mississippi, New Jersey, Pittsburgh, Tennessee, Western New York, Vermont, and Wisconsin.

There has also lately been received a tract entitled "Temperate Words about Temperance," being a publication issued by a Committee appointed at the last Church Congress.

For every Diocesan Journal sent to the Registrar a copy of that of Massachusetts is undoubtedly expected in return. This fact leads to a repetition of the request made more than once heretofore, that twenty-five copies of the Journal about to be issued may be reserved for this department.

The Registrar has prepared Annals of the Church in this Diocese from A. D. 1602 to A. D. 1873.

A considerable portion of these Annals has been enlarged into a History. The road has thus been mapped out, and no small part of the labor, perhaps the hardest part of it, has been finished. He has made a full analysis of every Journal of the Massachusetts Convention for more than eighty years. He has also prepared a "slip index," covering most of the period embraced in the proposed History. As the name indicates, this Index is written on separate slips of paper, each slip being confined to one title. The number of titles already approaches five hundred, which will be largely increased as the work goes on. As the slips will average three references, the fulness of this part of the work may be estimated. Having written nearly 3,000 slips in preparing for the press Bishop Burgess' "List of Ordinations," the Registrar cannot claim that this kind of labor is new to him.

To most persons these statements will have but little significance, but writers of history, who wish to be both exact and thorough, will understand the value of this work, not only as a guide to important matters when the book is read, but also as an aid in its composition. An aching head will also testify as to the drudgery which any one must exercise in preparing a slip index.

To give any idea of the time when the work will probably be finished is at present impossible. But the manuscript is now in such a shape that should the writer be providentially hindered from completing it, some person will probably be raised up who will be able to carry the work forward to its proposed end.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D., presented the Annual Report of the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

The Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund beg leave to present their Annual Report.

They would first call the attention of the Convention to the fact that they have now served thirteen years, and no one of them has died. Would it not be well for the Convention to choose a new Committee of younger and more active men, who, encouraged to enter on their work by this evidence of the healthiness of the service, would prosecute it more vigorously and with greater powers of convincing and persuading? For we must admit that there are still six Parishes who never have given anything and are insensible to all our appeals. Eighteen other Parishes are in arrears, and the whole amount is \$2,922. We append to our Report a tabular statement, with the name of each delinquent Parish, and the amount of its indebtedness. A few Parishes decline or neglect giving notes or pledges, but contribute the amount of interest due on their assessment.

The Treasurer of Trustees of Donations must pay from his receipts the annual salary of six thousand dollars, the taxes, insurance, and repairs of the Episcopal residence, and for all this he should have an income of seven thousand dollars. It must be remembered that investments do not yield as much as they did three years ago.

The longer the Committee are at work, the more impressed are they with the importance of the matter intrusted to them. The Episcopate is humanly the corner-stone of our Church edifice, our honor is concerned in redeeming our pledges for its maintenance, and it is emphatically our interest that our Bishop should have a comfortable maintenance,—should be free from all pecuniary care

and anxiety. We all know how willingly he spends and is spent, how he abounds in labor. We appeal to Parishes, but every member of the Parish has his responsibility, and appeals should be made to the consciences of every man, woman, and child in these delinquent Parishes. If each would put his shoulder to the wheel, if each would practise economy and self-denial, the honor of the Parish would be preserved, and the burden, thus divided, would be easy to all. In several Dioceses the support of the Episcopate is provided for by an assessment of one dollar on every communicant, and thus this duty is brought home to the conscience of every communicant. Still these are not the only members of Parishes who ought to do something in this matter. Thirty cents a year from each of our fourteen thousand communicants would give all the needed income in addition to that yielded by our old fund, as it was at the death of our late Bishop. Nor is any Parish too poor to give this small amount. A ready mind, a loving heart, are wanted, as well as a conviction of duty. In our last report we suggested one way in which economy could be practised: delinquent Parishes might omit sending delegates, and appropriate the money thus saved in their necessary expenses to the payment of this just debt.

Our Committee has made ten appeals during the past year. Thirteen hundred and seventy-eight dollars have been added to the fund. Lay preaching has had some effect. We are sorry to be obliged to confess our fears that the clergy in these delinquent Parishes have not given sufficient prominence in their teaching to the truth in that sentence of Holy Writ placed in our offertory, —

"Let him that is taught in the word minister unto him that teacheth in all good things. Be not deceived. God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

We append the following resolves: —

"*Resolved*, That this Convention approves of and indorses the appeals to Parishes made by the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund, as well as the actions of previous Conventions in this most important matter.

"*Resolved*, The Convention will proceed to the election of a Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund, who shall be instructed to persevere in appeals to delinquent Parishes, until a fund and satisfactory pledges shall have been placed in the hands of the treasurer of the Trustees of Donations, sufficient to secure an income of seven thousand dollars."

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK.
CHARLES O. WHITMORE.
T. C. AMORY.
RUSSELL STURGIS, JR.
J. P. ELLICOTT.

STATEMENT OF AMOUNTS NOW DUE FOR INTEREST FROM PARISHES NOT
GIVING NOTES.

	Amount paid on Acct.	Balance of Interest due.
Amherst, Grace Church		\$168 00
Beverly, St. Peter's "	\$56 00	56 00
Boston, Christ "		168 00
" (Dorchester), St. Mary's Church	156 25	123 75
Cambridge, St. Peter's Church	96 00	240 00

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Chelsea, St. Luke's Church	\$84 00	\$42 00
Danvers, Calvary "		126 00
Fall River, Ascension "	{ 11 31 100 00	72 00
Great Barrington, St. James's Church	42 00	126 00
Greenfield, St. James's Church	88 77	123 23
Lee, St. George's Church	16 80	67 20
Marblehead, St. Michael's Church	69 03	98 97
Melrose, Trinity Church	35 00	105 00
Milford, "	42 00	42 00
Millville, St. John's Church		70 00
New Bedford, Grace "	220 00	60 00
Northampton, St. John's Church	29 00	139 00
Pittsfield, St. Stephen's "	{ Prin. 75 00 Int. 52 50	147 00
Quincy, Christ Church		182 00
Somerville, Emmanuel Church		182 00
" St. Thomas's "	42 00	56 00
Taunton, St. John's "	20 00	190 00
Weymouth, Trinity "	11 13	128 87
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WILLIAM P. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*

Boston, May 2, 1877.

Resolved, That the resolutions appended to the above Report be adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Brooks presented the Annual Report of the Episcopal Church Association.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH ASSOCIATION.

This Association, formed seven years ago, to provide headquarters for the Church work of the Diocese, and to maintain a reading-room and general meeting place for the Clergy and Laity, has continued its work during the past year. The comfortable rooms at No. 5 Hamilton Place, Boston, have been kept open, and much frequented. There have been held there 182 meetings of Committees or Boards of Administration during the year, and 228 of the reverend Clergy, many of them of other Dioceses than our own, have left their names on the Register. If any evidence were needed of the usefulness of our rooms, these statistics would supply it.

The Directors of the Association have only to lament the insufficiency of the support given them by the Parishes of Boston and its vicinity, from which, by the necessity of the case, their support must be derived. At the Annual Meeting last November the Board was forced to seriously consider the question of closing the rooms after the General Convention in October.

The officers for 1877 are, —

Honorary President. — The Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese.

President. — Enoch R. Mudge, Emmanuel Church.

Vice-Presidents. — Edward S. Rand, Emmanuel Church; Alexander H. Rice, Emmanuel Church.

Treasurer. — Thomas J. Lee, Church of our Saviour, Longwood.

Clerk. — George Dexter, Christ Church, Cambridge.

Directors. — John S. Blatchford, St. Paul's Church; Robert Treat Paine, Jr., Trinity Church; Charles H. Joy, Church of the Advent; William C. Lovering, St. Thomas's Church, Taunton; Charles G. Saunders, Grace Church, Lawrence; Henry S. Chase, St. Paul's Church, Brookline; J. A. L. Whittier, St. Mark's Church.

For the fourth time the President, Treasurer, and Clerk of this Association have been constituted the Committee on Hospitality for the Convention. They have attended to the duty assigned them this year as usual, and if the Convention pleases will gladly continue to do so.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board of Directors,

GEORGE DEXTER, *Clerk.*

Boston, May 2, 1877.

The Rev. Dr. BURROUGHS presented the Annual Report of the Trustees of Fund for the Erection of Churches.

MASSACHUSETTS CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

The Committee appointed by the Convention of 1875 to act as "Trustees of a Fund for the Erection of Churches and Chapels," are unable to report, as they would be glad to do, any accessions to the Fund since the Report submitted to the last Convention.

The gifts which constitute the Fund, amounting to \$1,017.55, have been made for its creation, and it is not yet sufficient in the amount of its principal to yield any available income.

The Committee have endeavored to bring the establishment of this Fund, and its importance in the work of the Church, to the attention of the Diocese; and they take this opportunity to renew the expression of the hope contained in the bequest which created it, viz., "That it may attract other and larger gifts."

The Committee would also suggest that the Fund may be made the channel for conveying any gifts for purposes for which it exists. Its recognition in this way, as an active agency in the work of Church extension, will bring the Fund; in its purpose and work, to the attention of the Diocese, and promote its growth.

Any desired information concerning the Fund may be obtained by communicating with the Treasurer, J. S. Blatchford, 13 Exchange St., Boston, to whom also remittances for its increase or application may be made.

HENRY BURROUGHS.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK.

J. S. BLATCHFORD.

The hour of 11 o'clock having arrived, the House proceeded to elections.

Resolved, That in the election of a Treasurer, balloting be dispensed with.

On nomination, the Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD was unanimously re-elected.

Resolved, That in the election of a Registrar balloting be dispensed with.

The Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLET was unanimously re-elected.

The CHAIR appointed the following gentlemen tellers to collect and count the votes for Deputies to the General Convention : —

<i>Clergy.</i>	<i>Laity.</i>
The Rev. WILLIAM W. NEWTON.	ADIN B. UNDERWOOD.
" " JOHN WRIGHT.	WILLIAM C. LOVERING.
" " JULIUS H. WARD.	WALTER C. DURFEE.

The Secretary called the Roll of the Clergy, and the Assistant Secretary the Roll of the Parishes.

Hon. ROBERT M. MASON presented the Annual Report of the Trustees of Donations.

THE REPORT

OF THE TRUSTEES OF DONATIONS TO THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

The Amount of the Bishop's Fund, according to the last Annual Report, was	\$85,173 01
Since that date the following amounts have been added to the Fund : —	
In Parish Notes	\$1,350 00
Cash	28 50
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	1,378 50
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	\$86,551 51

The Bishop's salary has been paid in full, according to the vote of the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM P. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*

Boston, May 2, 1877.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D., presented the Annual Report of the Society for Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

REPORT OF THE SOCIETY

FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

The Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen in the Diocese of Massachusetts respectfully present to the Convention their Annual Report.

The property of the Society is divided into two Funds, known as the Annuity Fund and the Charity Fund. All payments from contributors for contract relief are added to the principal of the Annuity Fund, together with so much of the income as is not required for the payment of annuities, or of sums due to contributors wishing to withdraw their contributions. The Charity Fund is constantly enlarged by offerings and legacies. The income of this Fund is given to the widows and orphans of clergymen who have been resident in this Diocese, preference being given to those who have contributed to the Society.

The Annuity Fund amounts to	\$36,007 63
And the Charity Fund to	35,427 62
Making a total of	<u>\$71,435 25</u>

Should the income of the Annuity Fund in any year be insufficient to pay the annuities due, the deficiency is made up from the Charity Fund. So that the income of the whole capital of the Society is pledged to the faithful and punctual payment of the annuities. And whenever the sum due by contract to the family of a clergyman deceased is considered by the Trustees to be insufficient for their needs, they may appropriate an additional sum from the Charity Fund.

In view of the great advantages offered by this Society, it is deemed highly desirable that every clergyman in the Diocese should become a contributor.

For the Society,

HENRY BURROUGHS, *Secretary*.

The Rev. Dr. CLINCH presented the Annual Report of the Episcopal Clerical Fund.

EPISCOPAL CLERICAL FUND.

For another year our Society has been pursuing its course of quiet usefulness, unmarked by any event worthy of special record, but to the full extent of its limited means doing good to a class of beneficiaries, who, without its aid, would scarcely know where to turn for the bare necessities of life.

Our receipts for the past year have been, —

From interest on invested funds	\$252 87
“ contributions and donations	568 79
The whole amounting to	<u>\$821 66</u>

This, together with a balance from last year, has enabled us to relieve six aged and indigent clergymen, but in so doing we have exhausted our available resources. Our reliable income for the present year will be about \$800; our possible income may amount to \$1,300. This, however, will depend upon the liberality of the Parishes. Unless the contributions throughout the Diocese are much more liberal this year than they were during the last, we shall be obliged to drop some names from the list of our beneficiaries, or to reduce the small appropriations which we have heretofore made. So far, we have felt authorized to make appropriations only for six months, not feeling sure of receiving enough to carry us through the whole year.

The only thing of especial moment to be noticed in this Annual Report is the amazing degree of apathy manifested towards this Society on the part of a large majority of the clergy of the Diocese, and especially of those who have the care of Parishes in this city. Out of over 100 Parishes only 18 have contributed anything to our funds, and out of 20 churches in the city of Boston, *only one* has given us anything during the past year, and that one a contribution of only *eight dollars*.

The one redeeming feature in this painful record is that it betokens, on the part of our clergy, a large measure of faith in the promise, “God will provide,” which thus enables them fearlessly to “take no thought for the morrow.”

The Society has been unofficially informed that the late William W. Morland, M. D., who during his life gave liberally but anonymously to our funds, has

devised to us the sum of \$1,000. This amount has not yet been paid over to the treasurer, but it will, in all probability, shortly be realized.

May many others be moved by his example to go and do likewise, and may God put it into the hearts of His servants, both clergy and laity, to devise liberal things towards us during the Conventional year upon which we are now entering!

JOSEPH H. CLINCH, *Secretary*.

EDWARD N. PERKINS presented the Annual Report of the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society.

REPORT OF THE MARGARET COFFIN PRAYER BOOK SOCIETY.

The Society has, during the past year, published an edition of 1,000 prayer-books, and has distributed 1,053 copies in seven different Dioceses.

Its expenditure, including payment for a previous edition of the prayer-book, as well as the one above mentioned, etc., has been \$563.62, leaving a balance of \$156.19 in the treasury. Contributions, both from Parishes and individuals, are greatly needed to enable the Society to carry on its work. The permanent fund, now amounting to \$2,099.44, will shortly be increased. Madam Coffin's good example has, after twenty years, been followed by one of her own name, of happy memory.

The late Thomas M. Coffin, of Plymouth, Mass., who died in October, 1876, bequeathed to the Society the sum of \$3,000, the income of which is to be applied to the purposes of the Society.

The Annual Service, with sermon by the Bishop of New Hampshire, was held (by the kind permission of the Rector) in St. Paul's Church on Sunday evening, Feb. 10. The offertory amounted to \$45.80.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD N. PERKINS, *Clerk*.

Boston, April 16, 1877.

The same gentleman presented a Report from the Boston Episcopal Charitable Society.

BOSTON EPISCOPAL CHARITABLE SOCIETY.

FOUNDED A. D. 1724.

At the Annual Meeting of this Society, Easter Tuesday, April 3, of the present year, it was decided to take measures to bring the Society (whose work, from its quiet and unobtrusive nature, is little known) more prominently to the notice of Churchmen as most worthy of their interests and their gifts.

It was urged with much force that this ancient Church Society, founded A. D. 1724, should, both for its own credit and the Church's honor, "let its light shine before men, that they may see its good work and glorify our Father which is in Heaven." In pursuance of this object, it was, on motion of the Bishop (a life member), voted, "That the Secretary be requested to prepare a Report of the Society's status and work, to be read at one of the Sessions of the Diocesan Convention in May, and entered on its Record with the view of informing the Churchmen in this Diocese of the Society's benevolent scope and mission to the Church folk of Boston."

In accordance with this vote the following brief Report is prepared:—

The Boston Episcopal Charitable Society, founded Easter Monday, April 6, A. D. 1724, "in good old colony times," is the oldest incorporated Church institution in this country, its charter dating from Feb. 12, 1784.

The officers consist of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and six Trustees, who are chosen at the Annual Meeting on Easter Tuesday.

The members, who are limited to 100 in number, must be Episcopalians.

The annual subscription is added to the Fund, which is thus slowly increased. The Fund now amounts to \$61,900, the income of which, during the past year amounting to \$3,675, has been given in different sums to 65 beneficiaries. "Aid is granted (by first by-law) only for the relief of persons who are or have been members of the Society, and their families, the widows and minor children of persons who at the time of their decease shall have been Ministers of an Episcopal Church within this Commonwealth and of persons who belong to the Protestant Episcopal Church, and are or shall have been inhabitants of the city of Boston."

The present officers are, —

President. — Dr. G. C. Shattuck.

Vice-President. — Thomas C. Amory.

Treasurer. — John P. Tarbell.

Secretary. — E. N. Perkins.

Trustees. — The Rev. Henry Burroughs, D. D., Charles F. Shimmin, Joseph Story Fay, Charles H. Joy, Dr. G. W. Lyman, Robert M. Cushing.

The Board meets for business on the first Thursday of each month.

Any one who desires to learn more of this venerable Society can obtain a copy of its Constitution and By-Laws and the Memorial Sermon preached by the Bishop of Rhode Island in King's Chapel, Easter Tuesday, 1874, the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its foundation, by applying to the Secretary or any of the Board.

The motto "*Dare quam accipere*" is its watchword, and will commend it to the Convention as expressing the spirit in which it was founded by our forefathers and has been cherished by their successors to the present time.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD N. PERKINS, *Secretary.*

Boston, May 2, 1877.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN presented the Annual Report of the Dakotah League.

The Dakotah League of Massachusetts would respectfully submit to the Right Rev. the Bishop, and to the Convention of the Diocese, the following report.

Since the last Convention there have been held ten public meetings, one being the usual anniversary at St. Paul's Church and the others those of each month called for the purpose of transacting the business matters of the League, — listening to the reading of letters from missionaries in the distant Indian fields and hearing addresses from the different clergymen who have been asked from month to month to thus further our work, and kindly consenting, have, by their earnest, helpful words, greatly cheered our hearts and strengthened our hands. And it has been our privilege to welcome among us, as one restored almost from the dead,

the Right Rev. Bishop Hare, also the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Swift, whose faithful, self-denying labors in behalf of the red men have made their names to be praised in all the Churches.

Seventy-three Parishes are now working in connection with the League, and from these, boxes containing most generous provision, both for the missionaries and Indians, have been sent out, and although so many urgent claims have been presented to the Church in Massachusetts from all parts of the Mission field, and the cry of "extermination" has been raised against the Indian throughout the length and breadth of the land, yet the interest in these our *own* "domestic pagans" has not been vanquished.

Several thousand pamphlets have been distributed, and a correspondence carried on with nearly all the Rectors of the Diocese. New mission-stations are constantly being added to our list, and all these have received aid either of money, or supplies for their households, schools, and hospitals.

The bounty of the Church has not equalled the great need, yet we have good reason to thank God, and take courage, and go on with our work, hoping earnestly for a larger ingathering of interest and helpers, and that by and by there will not be a Parish in the Diocese which has not its representative in this branch of missionary work.

By the kind courtesy of the Episcopal Church Association the meetings of the League are held at the Church Rooms the second Wednesday of every month at 3 P. M., from September to June inclusive, and the clergy and all friends of missionary work are always most heartily welcome.

In behalf of the Board of Managers,

M. S. MACKINTOSH.
H. E. CARYL.
CAROLINE COLBY.
GRACE H. HAMLIN.
A. R. LORING.

Boston, May 1, 1877.

The CHAIR announced as the special Committee on Christian Education:—

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN.
" " CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.
" " GEORGE W. DURELL.

JAMES H. HOWE.
J. GARDNER WHITE.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS, from the Committee on Constitution and Canons, presented the following Report:—

The Committee on Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred a memorial for the Parish of the Church of the Messiah, West Newton, asking approval by the Convention of an amendment to Article V of the Constitution of said Parish, respectfully report:—

That such amendment is designed to give power to the Parish to expend revenues and funds for the support of Church services in a part of the city of Newton called the "district or ward of Auburndale," where a large part of the parishioners reside, as well as at West Newton, which is also a ward of the city.

That such amendment will probably strengthen the Church in Newton; and

That such amendment is not opposed to the Canons of the General Convention or of the Diocese.

They therefore recommend the following resolution for adoption by the Convention:—

Resolved, that the amendment of the Constitution of the Parish of the Church of the Messiah, West Newton, as by their memorial, has the approval of the Convention.

For the Committee,

ALEXANDER BURGESS.

Which Report, together with the Resolution with which it concludes, were, on motion, adopted.

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, from the Committee on the endowment of St. Mark's School, presented the following Report:—

The Committee on that part of the Bishop's address referring to St. Mark's School, Southboro', beg leave to report:—

St. Mark's School for boys, in Southboro', was founded in 1865, by one of our large-hearted and liberal-minded Churchmen, and has commended itself, by the thoroughness of its work and the excellence of its management, to the confidence of the Diocese. Its capacity is limited, as the buildings can accommodate but fifty-three pupils. It is entirely dependent upon its receipts from tuition, having no endowment and no scholarships.

The Committee believe that an effort should be made to make St. Mark's a large and well-appointed Diocesan institution, not dependent, as heretofore, solely upon private patronage. They therefore recommend the appointment by the Bishop of a Committee of five—he himself being one and *ex officio* Chairman—to bring the claims of the school before the Diocese in such way as may seem most advisable.

G. S. CONVERSE,	} Committee.
G. C. SHATTUCK,	
JOSEPH STORY FAY,	

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE moved the adoption and recommendation of the above Report, which was carried.

The tellers to collect and count the votes for Deputies to the General Convention reported that the Convention had elected, in concurrence of both orders, the following:—

The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.
" " WM. R. HUNTINGTON, D. D.	ENOCH R. MUDGE.
" " ALEX. H. VINTON, D. D.	ROBERT C. WINTHROP.
" " THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D. D.	EDMUND H. BENNETT.

Resolved, That in the election of Supplemental Deputies, balloting be dispensed with.

The Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK moved that the Supplemental Deputies of last year be re-elected.

The Rev. W. W. SILVESTER moved, as an amendment to the above, that those having the highest number of votes next to those elected be nominated as the Substitute Deputies to the General Convention.

This amendment was lost.

The original motion of the Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK was then passed.

There being one Clerical vacancy in the list of Supplemental Deputies, occasioned by the death of the Rev. GEORGE PACKARD, on motion of the Rev. Dr. BROOKS, the Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE was elected to fill the vacancy.

The CHAIR appointed the following as tellers to collect and count the vote for a Standing Committee:—

The Rev. F. W. SMITH.	HOWARD SNELLING.
" REGINALD H. HOWE.	WILLIAM L. WAINWRIGHT.
" JOSHUA R. PEIRCE.	F. W. RYNNOLDS.

The Rev. EDMUND ROWLAND, Chairman of the Executive Committee, presented the Report of that body.

The Executive Committee recommend that the next Annual Convention be held in St. Paul's Church, Boston, on the fifth Wednesday after Easter, 1878, at nine o'clock, A. M., and that the Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Boston, be the preacher of the Convention Sermon, and the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, Rector of Trinity Church, Boston, be the substitute.

EDMUND ROWLAND.
THEODOSIUS S. TYNG.
HENRY S. LOVERING.

On motion of the Rev. ALEXANDER H. VINTON, D. D., —

Resolved, That this Convention take a recess till 3 o'clock this P. M.

Adjourned.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The tellers appointed to collect and count the votes for a Standing Committee reported that the Convention had chosen, by concurrent vote, the following persons to form the Standing Committee of the Diocese:—

<i>Clergy.</i>	<i>Laity.</i>
The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D.	ENOCH R. MUDGE.
" ALEXANDER H. VINTON, D. D.	ROBERT M. MASON.
" HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D.	JOSEPH STORY FAY.
" WM. R. HUNTINGTON, D. D.	CAUSTEN BROWNE.

The Rev. Dr. HUNTINGTON having declined to act as a member of the Standing Committee, —

Resolved, That the Rev. Dr. HUNTINGTON be excused from serving.

The question having been raised whether this Convention has the power to elect a fourth Clerical member, the CHAIR announced as his decision that the Convention had such power.

An appeal was made by the Rev. Dr. GRAY from the decision of the CHAIR, whereupon,

Resolved, That the decision of the CHAIR be sustained.

The Rev. JOSHUA R. PEIRCE, having moved that the election by ballot be dispensed with in the election of a fourth Clerical member of the Standing Committee,

The motion was lost.

One of the tellers of the Lay vote being absent, the CHAIR appointed GEORGE B. NEAL to fill the vacancy.

The Secretary called the roll of the Clergy, and Assistant Secretary, the roll of the Parishes, the members coming up and casting their votes.

The Rev. Dr. CLINCH presented the Annual Report of the Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children.

The Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children reports thirty-eight children removed, twenty-five to their own homes, and thirteen placed in families, and the loss of two by death.

The vacancies have been filled by the admission of thirty-six new beneficiaries, making now ninety-four in the Home, while six more are ready to come in as soon as the necessary formalities are gone through.

Thirteen have been baptized by the Rev. John Wright, under whose direction the usual Sunday-afternoon services have been held in the Chapel of the Home, the children attending St. Matthew's Church in the mornings, where also such as were of suitable age and disposition have generally been confirmed; but last July, one of the Bishop's visits, always eagerly expected and greatly enjoyed, was made peculiarly interesting by the administration of the rite of confirmation, for the first time, in their own chapel. May it be the forerunner of many similar gatherings!

Up to the present time, the Home has sheltered four hundred and forty children, many of whom were rescued from evil surroundings and turned to "the way of life," but, in common with all other charities, it feels the pressure of the times, and makes an earnest appeal to the Diocese for continued aid and encouragement.

In behalf of the Board of Managers,

S. A. C. BOND, *Secretary*.

MAY, 1877.

THOMAS L. WAKEFIELD presented the Report of the agent for the Glebe at Hopkinton.

To the Right Rev. Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts, President of the Convention.

The agent for the Glebe at Hopkinton respectfully reports, That the Glebe is mostly unproductive land, adapted more especially to pasturage so far as cleared, with the exception of the old church site in the village, and the remaining part is adapted to the growth of wood and is covered to a great extent with a second growth of trees, which is gradually increasing in value with the growth of the wood.

During the years 1875 and 1876 the total income from pasturage has been	\$46 00
And from wood sold	42 00
And for gravel sold	12 00
Making a total for the two years	\$100 00
And the taxes for the two years amount to	91 75
Which leaves a balance to the credit of the Glebe of	\$8 25
All of which is respectfully submitted.	

T. L. WAKEFIELD, *Agent*.

Boston, May 3, 1877.

The Rev. FRANCIS CHASE presented the Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business.

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report that the unfinished business, as appears from the Journal of 1876, is as follows:—

In Article II, Section 3, of the proposed Constitution, after the words "the Parish which he represents," the insertion of the words "and a Communicant of this Church."

Article XIII.

Article XV.

Article XVI.

Together with the Canons therewith connected, the whole to be found on pp. 71-77 of the Journal of 1876.

FRANCIS CHASE,
GEORGE H. PLUMMER, } *Committee*.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN presented a Report from the Committee on the BISHOP'S Address, in reference to the misappropriation of Church funds.

The Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address relating to the diverting of trust funds from the purposes to which their donors intended them, and also as to the encumbering of church property so that it is put in jeopardy, report that in their judgment no Vestry having any fair appreciation of the sanctity of an offering once made unto the Lord, or possessed of sufficient knowledge of the laws of the Church, can ever misapply trust funds, or expose consecrated property to the risk of sale for debts.

The Committee prefer to believe that if any such fault lies at the door of any

Vestry it must have arisen through ignorance, or through stress of strong temptation, which for the time has blinded them to a perception of what is right.

If it meet the approval of the Bishop we recommend the printing by the Secretary of a leaflet containing the page or two of the Bishop's remarks upon the subject, and the laws of the Church relating to the alienation of consecrated property, and that a copy of said leaflet be sent to each Vestry in the Diocese.

G. W. SHINN,
W. W. SILVESTER, } *Committee.*
F. C. FOSTER,

Resolved, That the Report be accepted, and the recommendation therein suggested be approved.

The tellers to collect and count the votes for a fourth Clerical Member of the Standing Committee reported that the House had failed to make a choice.

• On motion of RICHARD H. DANA, Jr., —

Resolved, That balloting in this election be dispensed with.

On nomination of the same, —

Resolved, That the Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D. D., be declared elected.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BURGESS, —

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to select the names of persons who shall be nominated by this Convention as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

The CHAIR appointed the following persons to form that Committee: —

The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D.
" WILLIAM T. FITCH.
" JUSTIN FIELD.

CHARLES EMERY.
RICHARD H. DANA, Jr.

The Rev. Dr. LANGDON, from the Committee on the BISHOP'S Address on the subject of Missions, made the following Report: —

The Committee on that portion of the Bishop's Address which refers to the obligations of the Church in this Diocese to the Board of Missions respectfully report, —

That concurring in the views expressed in that address, they recommend to the Convention the adoption of the following preamble and resolutions: —

Whereas, The Board of Missions is the agency of the whole Church and, in its proportion, the agent of each and every part of the Church, and

Whereas, The indebtedness of the Board is, therefore, proportionally our own indebtedness;

Resolved, That every Rector and Minister in charge of the Diocese be hereby requested, unless urgent cause prevent, to preach a sermon upon the missionary

obligations under which we rest, and to make a collection for the discharge of that indebtedness, upon Whitsunday next.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM CHAUNCY LANGDON, *Chairman.*

R. B. VAN KLEECK.

ROBERT M. MASON.

Boston, May 3, 1877.

The Rev. Dr. LANGDON having moved that the Report be accepted and the recommendation therein contained be adopted,

The Rev. ARTHUR C. A. HALL offered the following amendment: to add to the words of the Committee, "upon Whitsunday," the following words, "or on one Sunday in the month following."

Which amendment was adopted.

The CHAIR appointed the following persons to form the Committee on St. Mark's School, recommended by the Committee on the Bishop's Address:—

The BISHOP of the Diocese.

JOSEPH STORY FAY.

The Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.

EDWARD L. DAVIS.

" GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

The Rev. WILLIAM P. TUCKER, from the Committee on the BISHOP'S Address, in reference to the Missionary indebtedness of the Diocese, made the following Report:—

The Committee, to which was referred the portion of the Address of the Bishop which directed the attention of the Convention to the present indebtedness of the Diocese, arising from the excess of the expenditures over the receipts in its Missionary work during the past year, would respectfully report:—

That they regard the Board of Missions as fully and distinctly exonerated from even the imputation of going beyond in their expenditures the direct instructions of the Convention, as expressed in its authoritative resolutions; and that, therefore, the indebtedness of \$1,700 reported by that Board for the past year should be recognized and assumed by the Convention as one created by its own action.

That, whereas the stipends of the Missionaries of the Board for the last quarter of the year, due April 30, have not been paid, by which failure they are of necessity much straitened, this Committee judge that some immediate and efficient action should be taken by this Convention to raise the amount required to pay off the obligations of the past year.

The Committee suggest that a pledge in writing be asked from the Rector or Minister or the lay representatives of each Parish now present in the Convention, of the amount they will send to the Treasurer of the Board within one month from this date; and that the Board instruct their Treasurer to send a brief appeal, to be indorsed officially by the Bishop of the Diocese, which shall embody the action of the Convention at this time upon this matter, to the Wardens and Vestry of each Parish not making such present pledge, asking for one to be paid in a similar manner.

That the Board of Missions be respectfully certified that it is the sense of this Convention that their appropriations for the coming year be kept within the aggregate receipts, which may be reasonably anticipated from what may be considered the constant offerings of Parishes and individuals, judging from the receipts from these sources for the past three years; and that the Board of Missions be assured that their action in accordance with this declaration "Dare quam accipere" will be approved and sustained by this Convention.

That they approve strongly of the proposed policy of the Board of Missions, of uniting, where it is practicable, the work in two or more stations under the parochial care of one appointee of the Board.

[Signed]

PHILLIPS BROOKS.
WILLIAM P. TUCKER.
EDWARD S. DAVIS.

The question coming up upon the acceptance of this Report, and upon the carrying out of the suggestions of the Committee, it was, on motion, adopted, the Report being accepted and the suggestions of the Committee sanctioned.

The House took practical action upon this resolution, many of the individuals present pledging themselves for various sums, the whole amounting to \$1,373.50.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS, from the Committee on Nominations, made the following Report:—

The Committee appointed to name to the Convention proper persons to be nominated to the General Convention as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, respectfully report:—

The Diocese is entitled to twenty Trustees.

The Committee recommend for nomination, —

The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D. D.	The Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER.
" ALEXANDER H. VINTON, D. D.	" THOMAS F. FALES.
" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D. D.	" ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D. D.
" E. M. P. WELLS, D. D.	" HENRY F. ALLEN.
" CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" SAMUEL P. PARKER, D. D.	ROBERT C. WINTHROP.
" ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D.	JOHN B. STEBBINS.
" HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D.	SAMUEL L. CROCKER.
" LEONARD K. STORRS.	WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" NICHOLAS HOPPIN, D. D.	JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.

For the Committee,

ALEXANDER BURGESS.

The Chair appointed the following Committee to nominate persons to fill the vacancy in the Board of Missions:—

The Rev. ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D. D.	The Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL.
E. R. COGGSWELL, M. D.	

Resolved, That in the nomination of Trustees to the General Theological Seminary, balloting be dispensed with.

On motion of IRA CLEVELAND, —

Resolved, That the names reported by the Committee be those nominated as Trustees.

Resolved, That in the election of a Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund, balloting be dispensed with.

Resolved, That the present Board be re-elected.

Resolved, That the present Committee on Hospitality be continued.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. LANGDON, —

Resolved, That a Special Committee of five members of this Convention be appointed to consider more fully the general question of the responsibilities of the Church in this Diocese towards the General Missionary Agencies of the Church, to report at the next Annual Convention of this Diocese.

The Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, from the nominating Committee, reported the following names of persons to fill the vacancies in the Board of Missions : —

“The Committee appointed to ascertain what vacancies may exist in the Board of Missions of the Diocese, and to nominate persons to fill them, would report, that two vacancies exist in the Clerical and two in the Lay representation, by the terms expiring of Rev. George S. Converse and Rev. C. H. Learoyd, and also of E. L. Davis and E. R. Mudge, and they recommend the re-election for four years of the same gentlemen.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. VAN KLEECK,	} Committee.
G. W. DURELL,	
EDWARD R. COGGSWELL,	

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE having declined to serve, the Committee again retired, and nominated the Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D. D.

Resolved, That in the election of persons to fill vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions, balloting be dispensed with.

Resolved, That the persons named by the Committee be elected.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS moved the adoption of Article XV (p. 71 of Journal of 1876), of the proposed Constitution, in place of Article XIV, p. 10 of the Constitution, said new article to be numbered XIV, and that Article XVI of the proposed Constitution be adopted and numbered XV.

These two articles were adopted unanimously by a vote by Orders.

The Chair appointed the following persons to form the Committee recommended by the resolution of the Rev. Dr. LANGDON : —

The Rev. W. CHAUNCY LANGDON, D. D.	ALEXANDER H. RICE.
" THOMAS F. FALES,	ROBERT T. PAINE, JR.
" ARTHUR C. A. HALL.	

The Rev. WILLIAM P. TUCKER offered the following resolution : —

Resolved, That in making the assessment for the Convention Fund, the amount a minister or rector pays for house rent shall be deducted from the sum paid in money to him as salary, and that this resolution be referred to a Committee, to report at the next Annual Convention.

The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS made the following motion : —

Resolved, That the whole matter of printing for the Diocese be referred to a Committee of three, to endeavor to reduce the expenditure.

Which was adopted.

GEORGE N. FISHER offered the following resolution : —

Resolved, That the Sixth Article of the form of Constitution recommended for new Parishes be stricken out.

Resolved, That the foregoing resolution be referred to a Committee of three, to report to the next Convention.

These resolutions being put to vote were lost.

The Rev. ARTHUR C. A. HALL moved that all matters in Appendix A (pages 71-77 of Journal of 1876), not acted upon by this Convention, be postponed for the consideration of the next meeting of the Convention, which on motion was adopted.

The Rev. THEODOSIUS S. TYNG offered the following resolution : —

Resolved, That the question of inserting in Article II, Sect. 3, of the Constitution, after the words "unless he be," the words, "a baptized person, and," be postponed for the consideration of the next meeting of the Convention.

Which was adopted.

The CHAIR named as the Committee on Printing, under the resolution of the Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, —

The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS.	The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN.
/	SAMUEL H. GREGORY.

The CHAIR named as the Committee on assessments on the salary of Clergymen, —

The Rev. WILLIAM P. TUCKER.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.
	JOHN C. ROPES.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BROOKS, —

Resolved, That the Journal of this meeting of the Convention be printed under the direction of the Secretary and of the Committee on Printing.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BROOKS, —

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this Convention be given to the officers of St. Paul's Church for the use of their edifice; to the Churchmen of Boston for their hospitality; and to the Committee on Hospitality for the provision made by them for the entertainment and comfort of the Clergy of the Diocese.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS, from the Committee on Constitution and Canons, made the following Report: —

The Committee on Constitution and Canons respectfully report: —

They have selected the Rev. Alexander Burgess, D. D., a member of the Committee, to fulfil the duties required by Section 2, Canon 5, Title IV.

For the Committee,

ALEXANDER BURGESS.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BROOKS, —

Resolved, That after the reading of the Minutes, and action thereupon, and the usual devotional services by the BISHOP, this meeting of the Convention adjourn without day.

The Minutes of the day's session were read, amended, and approved.

The BISHOP closed the meeting of the Convention with prayer and benediction.

The Meeting then adjourned *sine die*.

BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK,

President of the Convention.

JOSEPH H. CLINCH,

Secretary.

W. HENRY BROOKS,

Assistant Secretary.

APPENDIX A.

Articles of the proposed Constitution and Canons, postponed for Consideration of the Eighty-Eighth Meeting of the Convention.

In Article II, Section 3, after the words "the Parish which he represents," the words "*and a communicant of this Church.*" Also, after the same words "*a baptized person and.*"

ARTICLE XIII.

ECCLESIASTICAL COURT.

1 There shall be a permanent Court for the trial of Clergymen, composed of
2 eight Presbyters canonically and actually resident in the Diocese, not members
3 of the Standing Committee, who shall be chosen by the Convention at an
4 election to be held every fifth year, and shall hold office for a term of five
5 years; and vacancies shall be filled by elections annually for unexpired terms.
6 Five shall constitute a quorum, but a smaller number may adjourn. The
7 concurrence of six members, if the Court be full, otherwise of five members,
8 shall be necessary for conviction. If, by reason of vacancies or of disqualifi-
9 cations by challenges, or of failure to attend, there shall be less than a full
10 Court to enter upon a trial, and either party demands a full Court, the Court
11 shall be filled in the following manner: The remaining members of the Court
12 shall nominate three times as many as are required, and the list shall be
13 reduced to the required number by the accused and the Church Advocate
14 alternately striking off one name. The Presbyters so selected shall hold office
15 only for the purposes of the pending trial.

CANONS.

TITLE III. OF DISCIPLINE.

CANON I.

OF PROCEEDINGS IN ECCLESIASTICAL COURTS.

1 SECTION 1. The members of the Ecclesiastical Court shall be Convened
2 convened for business by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Dio- by Eccle-
3 cese; and not less than thirty days' written notice of the time and ^{Eccle-} ^{Authority.}
4 place of meeting shall be given to each of the members.

1 SECT. 2. Every Court shall meet within the Diocese, at the time Shall meet
 2 and place appointed by the authority for convening the same. It in Diocese.
 3 may adjourn from day to day until a quorum shall attend. When
 4 there is a quorum, it shall proceed to organize by electing a Presi-
 5 dent and a Clerk, and, if it shall be thought proper, an Assistant
 6 Clerk. It may then adjourn to any time within six months, and
 7 to any place within the Diocese.

1 SECT. 3. The parties to every proceeding in an Ecclesiastical The Church
 2 Court are two, viz., the accused and a Church Advocate. The Advocate.
 3 Church Advocate shall be appointed by the presenting body, and
 4 shall always be a communicant of this Church.

1 SECT. 4. Written notice of the time and place of the meeting of Notice of
 2 the Court shall be given to the accused and the Church Advocate time and
 3 at least thirty days before the time fixed for its assembling. place.

1 SECT. 5. If the accused neglect or refuse to appear in person, In case the
 2 according to the notice served on him as aforesaid, except for some accused
 3 reasonable cause to be allowed by the Court, they may proceed to neglect or
 4 pronounce him in contumacy, and report the fact to the Bishop, refuse to
 5 who shall thereupon suspend such Clergyman from the exercise of appear.
 6 his ministry, for contumacy, until he shall appear and demand a
 7 trial. But if the accused shall not present himself before the expi-
 8 ration of twelve months, he may be sentenced for contumacy.

1 SECT. 6. If the accused appear, he shall be called upon by the The ac-
 2 Court to say whether he is guilty or not guilty of the offence or cused shall
 3 offences charged against him; and on his neglect or refusal so to plead guilty
 4 do, the plea of *Not guilty* shall be entered for him, and the trial or not gulli-
 5 shall proceed; *Provided* that for sufficient cause the Court may ty.
 6 adjourn from time to time within six months, and *Provided, also*,
 7 that the accused shall at all times during the trial have liberty to
 8 be present, and, in due time and order, to produce his testimony
 9 and to make his defence.

1 SECT. 7. No testimony shall be received at the trial, except from Mode in
 2 witnesses who shall have taken an oath or affirmation, to be ad- which tes-
 3 ministered by some person authorized by law to administer oaths, timony
 4 that they will testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but shall be
 5 the truth, concerning the matters charged in the presentment. received.
 6 And, in case there is ground to suppose that the attendance of any
 7 witness on the trial cannot be obtained, it shall be lawful for either
 8 party to apply to the Court, if in session, or if not, to any member
 9 thereof, who, after notice to the opposing party, may grant a rule
 10 for the taking of the deposition of such witness, according to the
 11 law of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and such deposition
 12 may be read at the trial, if it then appear to the satisfaction of the
 13 Court that it is impracticable to secure the personal attendance of
 14 the witness, or if the party against whom it is offered shall not
 15 object.

1 SECT. 8. All notices and papers may be served by a summoner **Serving of**
 2 or summoners, to be appointed by the Court when the same is in **notice and**
 3 session, or by a member thereof; and the certificate of any such **papers.**
 4 summoner shall be evidence of the due service of a notice or paper.
 5 In case of service by any other person, the fact may be proved by
 6 the affidavit of such person.

1 SECT. 9. If the person to be served with any notice or paper shall **Serving no-**
 2 have left the United States, it shall be a sufficient service thereof **tice on a**
 3 to leave a copy of such notice or paper at his last place of abode **person who**
 4 within the United States, sixty days before the day on which the **has left the**
 5 appearance or other act required by the said notice or paper is to be **United**
 6 performed. **States.**

1 SECT. 10. Every trial shall be conducted by a Church Advocate. **Counsel**
 2 The accused may appear by counsel. In every case the Court may **may be em-**
 3 regulate the number of counsel who shall address the Court or **played on**
 4 examine witnesses. **both sides.**

1 SECT. 11. The Court, having fully heard the testimony for and **The decis-**
 2 against the accused, and deliberately considered the same, shall **ion of the**
 3 declare whether, in their opinion, the accused is guilty or not guilty **Court.**
 4 of each particular charge and specification contained in the pre-
 5 sentment, in the order in which they are set forth; and the accused
 6 shall be considered as not guilty of every charge and specification
 7 of which he shall not be pronounced guilty by the requisite majority
 8 of the Court. The decision of the Court, as to all the charges and
 9 specifications of which such majority of the members of the Court
 10 have found him guilty, shall be reduced to writing, and signed by
 11 those who assent to it: and a decision pronouncing him not guilty
 12 of all those charges and specifications of which such majority shall
 13 not have pronounced him guilty shall also be drawn up and signed
 14 by those who assent to it; and the decision thus signed shall be
 15 regarded as the judgment of the Court, and shall be pronounced in
 16 the presence of the parties, if they shall think proper to attend.

1 SECT. 12. If the accused shall be found guilty of any charge or **If found**
 2 specification, the Court shall proceed to ask him whether he has **guilty, the**
 3 anything to say before the sentence is passed, and may in their **accused**
 4 discretion give him time to prepare what he wishes to say, and **shall have**
 5 appoint a time for passing the sentence; and before passing sentence **time to pre-**
 6 the Court may adjourn from time to time, and give the accused **pare a**
 7 reasonable opportunity of showing cause to induce a belief that **reply.**
 8 justice has not been done, or that he has discovered new testimony;
 9 and the Court, or a majority of its members, may, in its discretion,
 10 grant him a new trial. Before sentence is passed, the accused shall
 11 always have the opportunity of being heard, if he have aught to
 12 say in excuse or palliation.

1 SECT. 13. Every Court shall keep a full record of its proceedings, **The record**
 2 including the whole evidence given before it. **to be kept by**
the Court.

1 SECT. 14. Such records shall be kept by the Clerk, and inserted Record to
2 in a book, to be attested by the signatures of the President and be attested
3 Clerk. Every such book, and all papers connected with any trial, by Presi-
4 shall be deposited with the Secretary of the Standing Committee. dent and
Clerk.

1 SECT. 15. Whenever, in this or any other Canon, notice of the Time and
2 time and place of any meeting is required to be given, such notice place to be
3 shall specify the building in which, and day and hour at which, specified.
4 such meeting is to take place.

1 SECT. 16. All the proceedings of Ecclesiastical Courts shall be Proceed-
2 public, unless the Court, with the consent of the accused, shall ing to be
3 otherwise order. public.

1 SECT. 17. Every Court constituted under the authority of this Lay
2 Canon may be attended by one or more Lay Assessors, who shall Assessors.
3 be appointed by the Court. They shall be communicants of this
4 Church, and they shall be of the profession of the law. Such
5 Assessors may be present at all the proceedings of the Court, but
6 they shall have no vote in any case whatever. It shall be their
7 duty to give to the Court an opinion on any question, upon which
8 the Court, or any member thereof, or either party, shall desire such
9 opinion. The Court may take the opinion of counsel learned in the
10 law on any point they may desire.

1 SECT. 18. The Clergyman accused may challenge any member of Right of
2 the Court for cause, and the challenge may be tried and decided by challenge.
3 the Lay Assessor or Assessors. If there be no Lay Assessor, the
4 Bishop shall appoint one or more triers, who shall have the qualifi-
5 cations of Lay Assessors.

CANON II.

OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN.

1 SECTION 1. No Clergyman of this Diocese shall be tried for any Trial must
2 ecclesiastical offence until after inquiry and presentment by the be preceded
3 Standing Committee, acting as a Diocesan Board of Inquiry. by inquiry
and pre-
sentment.

1 SECT. 2. Such inquiry and presentment must be founded on Duplicate
2 charges exhibited to the President of the Standing Committee: they charges to
3 must be in writing, in duplicate, and (except when the charge is for be exhib-
4 the offence of teaching doctrine contrary to that held by the Protes- ited to the
5 tant Episcopal Church in the United States) signed by three male President
6 communicants of this Church of the same Parish with the accused of the
7 Clergyman, or by five male communicants of this Church who are Standing
8 not of such Parish. But when a Clergyman is charged with teach- Committee.
9 ing doctrine contrary to that held by the Protestant Episcopal
10 Church in the United States, duplicate charges, signed by three
11 Presbyters of this Church, residing in this Diocese, and not under
12 suspension or degradation, must be exhibited to the President of the
13 Standing Committee.

1 SECT. 3. When the duplicate charges shall be delivered to the The
 2 President of the Standing Committee, it shall be his duty to call a Standing
 3 meeting of said Committee as a Board of Inquiry, at some place Committee
 4 within the Diocese, within thirty days. It shall also be his duty to as a Board
 5 give not less than twenty days' notice of the time and place of meet- of Inquiry.
 6 ing to each member of the Board, to the signers of the charges, and
 7 to the accused, sending also to the accused one of the duplicate
 8 charges.

1 SECT. 4. If the Diocesan Board of Inquiry shall refuse to find a In case a
 2 presentment, the charges, together with a certificate of such refusal, present-
 3 ment by the President, shall be preserved among the archives of ment is not
 4 the Standing Committee. found.

1 SECT. 5. When a presentment is determined upon, it shall be The pre-
 2 reduced to writing in such form of charges and specifications as sentment to
 3 shall, with a reasonable certainty, give to the accused notice of the be delivered
 4 nature of the offence charged, and of the particular facts specified as to the
 5 constituting such offence, and signed by all the members of the Bishop.
 6 Board who have agreed thereto. It shall be delivered to the Bishop
 7 who may at the time be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese.
 8 But if there be a vacancy in the Episcopate, and the Diocese shall
 9 not be under the charge of any Bishop, they shall transmit the same
 10 to some Bishop entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, who shall
 11 thereby be constituted the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese
 12 for the purposes of such presentment, and of all proceedings founded
 13 thereon.

1 SECT. 6. The Diocesan Board of Inquiry, whenever it shall have Appoint-
 2 determined upon a presentment, shall appoint a Church Advocate, ment of a
 3 who shall not have been a member of the Board, to conduct the case Church
 4 before the Court. Advocate.

1 SECT. 7. If the Bishop who is the Ecclesiastical Authority of the If the
 2 Diocese shall be related to the accused, the Standing Committee Bishop be
 3 shall transmit the presentment to some other Bishop, as if the related to
 4 case were vacant, who shall thereby be constituted the Ecclesiastical the accused,
 5 Authority of the Diocese for the purposes of that case. the present-
 ment to be
 delivered to
 another
 Bishop.

1 SECT. 8. In the case of sickness or other temporary disability of In case of
 2 the Bishop, he may delegate his authority under this Canon to any sickness,
 3 other Bishop who is a member of the House of Bishops. the Bishop
 may dele-
 gate his au-
 thority to
 another
 Bishop.

CANON III.

OF SENTENCES.

1 SECTION 1. The censures and sentences known in this Diocese Sentences.
 2 for ecclesiastical offences are admonition, suspension, and deposi-

tion. Neither of these sentences shall be pronounced upon any
 4 Clergyman by any person other than the Bishop having jurisdiction.
 5 The accused shall have opportunity to show to the Bishop that the
 6 conviction is illegal or unwarranted. The Bishop shall pronounce
 7 such canonical sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, pro-
 8 vided the same shall not exceed in severity the sentence recom-
 9 mended by the Court, and provided, further, that the Bishop may,
 10 if he think proper, in a case of conviction, refer the record back to
 11 the Court, with his objections in writing to the finding of the Court;
 12 and the Court may thereupon, in its discretion, order a new trial, or
 13 revise its findings and sentence.

1 SECT. 2. Whenever the penalty of suspension shall be inflicted
 2 on any Clergyman, the sentence shall specify on what terms or at
 3 what time the suspension shall cease. Sentence of
suspension
to specify
terms.

1 SECT. 3. Upon a sentence of deposition being pronounced upon
 2 any Clergyman, the connection between such Clergyman and his
 3 Congregation or Parish and Diocese is *ipso facto* severed; and all
 4 offices which he holds by virtue of his office shall wholly cease;
 5 and, in case of a sentence of suspension, the said offices shall not
 6 be exercised during the continuance of such sentence. Degrada-
tion shall
clerical
relations.

1 SECT. 4. Notice of the sentence of the degradation of a Clergy-
 2 man shall be sent to the accused, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of
 3 every Diocese of this Church, and to every Clergyman and Parish
 4 in this Diocese. Notice of
degradation
to be sent.

CANON VII.

CANONS TO TAKE EFFECT.

1 All other Canons of this Diocese are hereby, and shall be held to
 2 be, repealed. Canons to
take effect.

APPENDIX B.

EXTRACT

FROM THE

Canon of the General Convention of 1853.

*Of the mode of securing an accurate view of the state of the Church, from time
to time.*

SECTION 1. As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time
to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every Minister

of this Church, or, if the Parish be vacant, the Wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his Parish or Church, also the state and condition of the Sunday Schools in his Parish, also of the amount of the communion alms, the contributions for Missions, diocesan, domestic, and foreign, for parochial schools, for Church purposes in general, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every other Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in the Convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

I. PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATIONS.

Bap., Baptisms; Inf., Infants; Ad., Adults; Conf., Confirmed; Com., Communicants; Pres. No., Present Number; Mar., Marriages; Bur., Burials; S. S., Sunday School; O. and T., Officers and Teachers; Schol., Scholars; Dak. Lea., Dakota League.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, AMESBURY.

The Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR, *Rector*.

Baptized: Inf., 5; Ad., 2 = 7. Com.: Pres. No., 70. Mar., 3. Bur. 6. S. S.: Offl. and Teach., 7; Schol., 25. Ch.: Sitzings, 250. Chapel: Sitzings, 40. Parsonage: Fund, \$2,650.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$48.66; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$52.10; Pew Rents, \$320; Investments, \$18.27; \$390.87. S. S., \$38.20; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$40. Total, \$517.23.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epls. Fund, \$8.75; Conv. Fund, \$7.50; Soc. for Relief of W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$10; Christian or Theo. Education, \$25; \$51.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$12.25; Dom. Mis., \$5; China, \$10; Through Woman's Aux., \$13.05 = \$40.30.

Total of Contributions, \$608.78.

GRACE CHURCH, AMHERST.

HORACE WARD and ORSON G. COUCH, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 4; Ad., 5 = 9. Conf., 4. Com.: Pres. No., 64. Bur., 4. S. S.: Teach., 8; Schol., 47. Ch.: Value, \$35,000; Sitzings, 480. Parsonage: \$4,000. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$39,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$27; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Collections in Ch., \$291; Subscriptions, \$1,370; Other Sources, \$414 = \$2,075. S. S., \$100; For the Poor, \$38.50; = \$2,213.50.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$12; Christian or Theo. Education, \$50 = \$62.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$11. Dom. Mis., \$15.50; Home Mis. to Colored People, \$9; Indian Com., \$10. Foreign, \$21.

Total of Contributions, \$2,342.

CHRIST CHURCH, ANDOVER.

The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D. D., *Rector*.

Baptized: Inf., 11. Com.: Ad., 3; Rec., 7 = 10; Died, 2; Rem., 9 = 11; Pres. No., 112. Mar., 4. Bur., 9. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 9; Schol., 69. Ch.: Value, \$8,000; Sittings, 300. Parsonage: \$2,500. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$10,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$39.14; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$352.01; Pew Rents, \$53; Subscriptions, \$856.65; Investments, \$520; Other Sources, \$28 = \$1,809.66. S. S. Instruction, Music, and Prayer Books, \$19.40; Parish Library, \$6 95; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$369.77; Special Charities, \$38; Gifts, Rewards, and Decorations for Christmas and Easter Festivals, \$58; Young Christian Soldier, \$4.30 = \$100.30. Total, \$2,345.22.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epls. Fund, \$116.85; Con. Fund, \$22.50; Epls. Clerical Fund, \$20; Ch. Home, S. S. Offering, \$5; St. Luke's Home, S. S. Offering, \$5; Christian or Theo. Education, S. S. Offering, Nashotah, \$5; Hospital Cot, S. S. Offering, \$2 = \$176.35.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$32.59; Mis. at Chelmsford, \$15; Dom. Mis., \$12.94; Home Mis. to Colored People, \$17.43; Indian Com. Dak. Lea., S. S. Offerings for White Earth Mis., \$5; Do. for Santee Sioux, Mis., \$5. Cash value of Articles furnished by Ladies for St. Paul's School, Yankton agency, \$15.82; S. S. Offerings, Salt Lake City Mis., \$5; S. S. Offering, Drygrove Assoc. Mis., \$5; S. S. Class to Mis. at Columbia, S. C., \$8 = \$43.82. Foreign Mis., \$36; S. S. Offering to Mexican Mis. Lea., \$5; S. S. Offering to Mis. in China, \$5 = \$167.69.

Total of Contributions, \$2,689.26.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ARLINGTON.

The Rev. D. G. HASKINS, *Rector*.

ALBERT GRIFFITHS and WM. WILSON, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 5. Conf.: 6. Com.: 52.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Current Ex., including the Rector's Sal., about \$1,000; Offertory, about \$500; Amount raised for the Ch. Building, which is finished AND WHOLLY PAID FOR, about \$2,700; the land only is not paid for, \$1,200.

Of the \$2,700 paid for the Church, about \$500 was raised within the Par-

ish, in addition to the offerings at the offertory. The remainder of \$2,200, the Rector, under unfavorable circumstances, obtained from friends of the Church, by personal solicitation, and the building was occupied within fifteen months from the first service in the town hall. Though the Parish has requested aid from the Board of Missions, it has received none. Efforts are now making to pay for the land.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ASHFIELD.

The Rev. LEWIS GREEN, *Rector*.

MOSES COOK and ADDISON G. HALL, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 1; Ad., 1 = 2. Conf.: 1. Com.: Ad., 1; Rec., 2 = 3. Pres. No., 30. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 3; Schol., 18. Ch.: Value, \$2,000; Sittings, 200. Parsonage: \$800. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$2,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$5.26; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$119.26; Donations, \$5.50; for Salary from Parishioners, \$30 = \$154.75. Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$12; Fuel and care of Ch., \$16; Blowing the Organ, \$5; Tax on Rectory, \$9.07 = \$202.09.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epls. Fund, \$7; Conv. Fund, \$3 = \$10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$16. Dom. Mis., Mite Chest, \$2.51; Indian Com., box valued at \$20; Sharon Mis., \$1 = \$28.51. Foreign Mis., \$4.16; From S. S. Mis. Box, \$4.24; Through Woman's Aux., \$5 = \$18.40. Total, \$52.91.

Total of Contributions, \$265.

REMARKS.

In the month of August last a public reading was kindly given by Miss Stella Dickinson and Miss Dora Thompson, of Brooklyn, N. Y., for the benefit of the Parish. From this source \$40 was received. For help like this the Parish is most grateful, as its needs are pressing; but we need far more what money cannot buy, nor do we despair of a harvest at length.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BEVERLY.

The Rev. WILLIAM GOODHUE WELLS, *Rector*.

JOHN D. LOVETT, *Warden*.

Baptized: Inf., 15; Ad., 4 = 19. Conf., 3. Com.: Ad., 4; Died, 3; Rem., 6 = 9; Pres. No., 50. Mar., 3. Bur., 8. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 6; Schol., 52. Ch.: Value, \$6,000; Sittings, 200. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$182.60; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$543.37; Subscriptions, \$550; Donations, \$589.77 = \$1,683.14. S. S., \$12. Christmas and Summer Festivals, \$30.50; Flowers at Easter, \$10; New Carpet for Church, \$100; Total, \$2,018.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epls. Fund, \$15; Conv. Fund, \$28; Churchman Cot. from S. S., \$5 = \$48.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$10; Home Mis. to Colored People, the Rev. Alex. Crummell, D. D., Washington, D. C., \$10 = \$20.

Total of Contributions, \$2,086.24.

REMARKS.

The amount received this year from all sources is largely in excess of some previous years. This is largely due to an effort made by the ladies of the Parish. In response to their appeal generous offerings were made by our friends worshipping with us for the summer, which we gratefully acknowledge. The Parish has suffered from the financial depression, nowhere more severely felt than here. Still many, of their little, have given gladly. We record also a loss which years cannot diminish, in the sudden death of our Junlor Warden and Organist, Charles Henry Preston. His memory will ever be precious. Though our hearts fainted within us, the Master has given us wondrous comfort and cheer.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, BOSTON.

The Rev. CHARLES CHAPMAN GRAFTON, *Rector*.

The Revs. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, JOSEPH WARREN HILL,
Assistants.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., and EDWARD NEWTON PERKINS,
Church Wardens.

Baptized: Inf., 85; Ad., 22 = 107. Conf., 66. Com.: Ad., 70; Rec., 25 = 95; Died, 16; Rem., 15 = 31; Pres. No. about 500. Mar., 18. Bur., 31. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 85; Schol., 280. Choir School: Teach., 2; Schol., 18; Men's Class, 30; Women's Class, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., Offertory, \$10,146.50; Invest'ts, \$1,152.42 = \$11,298.92. S. S., \$286; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$7,054.29; Poor, \$1,360.84; Sundry Parish Objects, \$1,057.18. Total, \$21,057.23.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$105; Conv. Fund, \$45; Church Home, \$72.80; Christian or Theo. Education, \$626.76; Hospitals, etc., \$2,145.66 = \$2,995.22.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$247.57; Objects without the Dio., \$667.18 = \$914.75.

Total of Contributions, \$24,967.20.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, BOSTON (DORCHESTER).

The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT, *Officiating Minister*.

HENRY M. SNELL, HENRY W. EMMONS, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 14; Ad., 3 = 17. Con., 6. Com.: Ad., 82; Rec., 9 = 41; Rem., 7; Pres. No., 81. Mar., 1. Bur., 5. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 6; Schol., 40. Ch.: Value, \$4,800; Sitings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$15.23; Current Ex., including Rector's Salary: Offertory, \$1,100.21; Donations, \$151.50 = \$1,251.71. S. S., \$29.96; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$269.59; For the Poor, \$7.66 = \$1,574.15.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$9; Epis. Clerical Fund, \$6.75; Christian or Theo. Education, \$5.71 = \$21.46.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$39.89; Indian Com., \$13.05; For. Mis., \$6.61 = \$59.55.

Total of Contributions, \$1,655.16.

CHRIST CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D D., *Rector*.THOMAS FOX and THOMAS MAIR, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized Inf., 16; Ad., 4 = 20. Conf., 19. Com.: Ad., 19; Rec., 7 = 26; Died, 2; Rem., 19 = 21; Pres. No., 145. Mar., 10. Bur., 9. S. S. = Off. and Teach., 22; Schol., 161. Ch.: Value, \$35,000; Sittings, 700. Parsonage: Value of Houses, belonging to the Parish, \$24,000; Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$59,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$333.80; Pew Rents, \$300.50; Rents of Houses, \$1,988.56 = \$2,622.86. S. S., \$163.43; Total, \$2,786.29.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$22.50; Soc. for the Relief of W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$5; Margaret Coffin P. B. Soc., \$5 = Ch. Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, \$3; Boston Prov. Ass., \$5 = \$40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episc. City Mis., \$5; Dio. B. of Mis., \$20 = \$25. Domestic Mis., \$10; Home Mis. to Colored People, \$8 = \$18 = Foreign Mis., \$8 = \$51.

Total of Contributions, \$2,877.29.

REMARKS.

The effort to collect money for repairs that have become necessary for the preservation of this venerable Church has been renewed with a prospect of success.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. ALEXANDER H. VINTON, D. D., *Rector*.

Baptized: Inf., 5. Conf., 12. Com.: Added, 20; Died, 5; Rem., 10 = 15. Mar., 2. Bur., 7. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 15; Schol., 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$1,255; Current Ex., including Rector's Salary: Coll. in Ch., \$7,860.83; Other Sources, \$800 = \$3,660.83; Total, \$9,915.83. Appropriations have been made from the above for Parochial Miss., \$1,536.83; and for Dorcas Soc., Depository of Clothing for the Poor, Books, Papers, Music, Christmas and Easter Celebrations for S. S., Printing and for the Pensioners of the Ch., \$1,340.58 = \$2,917.40.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH — Ch. Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, \$700; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, \$300; Episc. Ch. Ass., \$20; Christian or Theol. Education, \$926.33; Hospitals, \$454.45; Young Men's Christian Ass., \$100; Bible readers, \$75 = \$2,575.78.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episc. City Mis., \$200; Dio. B. of Mis., \$949.49; Donations not passing through the Board, \$461.50 = \$1,610.99. Dom. Mis., \$200; Indian Mis., \$650 = \$350. Foreign Mis., \$1,430.36 = \$3,891.35.

Total of Appropriations, \$16,382.96.

REMARKS.

The services of this Church have been much the same as those of last year, — two on Sunday, one on each of the principal festivals and fasts, daily during Lent, a lecture on the Fridays before Communion, and a Bible class every week, from Advent to Passion week. The special Mission work, mentioned in my last Report, has taken on a measure of success, under the direction of the Rev. Mr. Killikelly, that surpasses the highest expectations. A beautiful Chapel has been built, which is named the Free Chapel of the Evangelists. The cost has been about \$5,000, and it is free from debt. The current expenses of the Mission for the year, which includes the salary of the Minister, have amounted to \$2,400, and have been met through the joint agency of the Rectors of Trinity and Emmanuel Churches. The Dorcas Society of Emmanuel Church has done its usual work in its accustomed spirit, giving employment to upwards of a hundred poor women. Equally well in its way has the Society auxiliary to the Women's Missionary Society in New York discharged its function in sending clothing and other useful commodities to needy Clergymen in various parts of the land.

FREE CHAPEL OF THE EVANGELISTS, BOSTON.

The Rev. BRYAN B. KILLIKELLY, *Minster*.

Baptized: Inf., 11; Ad., 20 = 31. Conf.: 30. Com.: Ad., 60; Rec., 5 = 65. Died, 2; Rem., 12 = 14. Pres. No., 130. Mar., 3. Bur., 11. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 24; Schol., 200. Ch.: Sittings, 300. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$9,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex.: Offertory, \$84.41; Col. in Ch., \$184 40 = \$268.81; collected from various sources for Charities and Mis. Work, \$2,500.

Total of Contributions, \$3,037.62.

REMARKS.

This Mission was commenced some two years ago as Emmanuel Mission. Its rapid growth soon warranted the erection of a suitable building. A Fair, conducted by the ladies of Emmanuel, together with some outside donations, furnished sufficient funds to build in June last what is now the Chapel of the Evangelists, and is fully paid for.

The means for carrying on this work are furnished by the Parishes of Emmanuel and Trinity. It is therefore now the conjoint Mission of these two Churches.

Respectfully,

BRYAN B. KILLIKELLY.

GRACE CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, *City Missionary*.

Baptized: Inf., 9; Ad., 4 = 13. Conf.: 12. Com.: Ad. 20. Pres. No., 58. Mar., 6. Bur., 8. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 19; Schol., 150. Ch.: Value, \$18,000; Sittings, 375. Chap., Sittings, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex.: Offertory, \$303.06; Donations, \$61.13; Other Sources, \$28.40 = \$392.59. S. S., \$56 58; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$134 03; Other Parochial Objects, \$4. Total, \$587.20.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Episc. Fund, \$8.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$4.04; Indian Com. to Bishop Whipple from the S. S., \$17.70 = \$21.74.

Total of Contributions, \$612.69.

REMARKS.

The "Episcopal City Mission" embraces both Grace Church, South Boston, and St. Stephen's Church, Boston. At the former of these the following services were held during the past Conventional year, viz.: With sermon or lecture, 144; without sermon, 27 = 171. Besides, classes have been instructed upon Sundays and on other occasions 37 times, making a total of 144 services with sermon, and 64 other services and instructions without; in all, 208. The Holy Communion has been celebrated regularly once a month, and on the great festivals besides. The past year has been marked by a decided increase in our congregations as well as improvement in several other particulars. The great event of the year — causing us to thank God for the past and take courage for the future — was the erection of our neat, comely, and commodious Grace Church, with its very convenient chapel. May God continue His blessings to us!

GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE JARVIS PRESCOTT, *Rector*.

Baptized: Inf., 23; Ad., 6 = 29. Conf., 31. Com.: Pres. No., 225. Mar., 15. Bur., 22. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 29; Schol., 201. Sewing School: Teach., 14; Schol., 102.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$286 09; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$1,587.90; Subscriptions, \$720; Donations, \$82; Other Sources, \$200 = \$2,589.90. S. S., \$90.02; Special Offerings for Poor, \$199.82; Alms Chest, \$97.46. Total, \$3,263.29.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — St. Luke's Home, and other Hospitals, \$44.03; Christian or Theo. Education, \$63.20 = \$107.23.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS — Dio. B. of Mis., \$40.25; Mis. at W. Newton, \$1 = \$41.25. Domestic Mis., \$7; Indian Com., \$94; Mis. to the Jews, \$9.25; Ch. Mis. to the Deaf Mutes, \$1.04 = \$111.29. Foreign Mis.: per Woman's Aux., \$17.20 = \$169.74.

Total of Contributions, \$3,540.26.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, *Rector*.

RODERICK RICHARDSON and SAMUEL RICE, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 17; Ad., 2 = 19. Conf., 8. Com.: Pres. No., 158. Mar., 8. Bur., 6. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 10; Schol., 50. Ch.: Value, \$22,000; Sitings, 600. Chapel: Value, \$8,000; Sitings, 200. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offer-tory, \$4,306.91; Subscriptions, \$478.30; Donations, \$34.25; Inc. and Imp. Ch. Property, \$20; For the Poor, \$446.67; Parish Debt, \$148.18; By S. S., \$100. Total, \$5,534.30.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Soc. for Relief of the W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$8.05; Epis. Clerical Fund, \$29.80; St. Luke's Home, \$14; For the Jews, \$15.50; Faribault, \$5 65; Nashotah, \$3.85; Hospitals, \$47.68 = \$124.53.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic Mls., \$38.17; Indian Com., \$1.50; Foreign Mls., \$2.00 = \$41 67.

Total of Contributions, \$5,700.50.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BOSTON HIGHLANDS.

The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, *Rector*.

The Rev. THOMAS JONES MACKAY (Deacon), *Assistant*.

DAVID CONNERY and JOHN FORSYTH, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 70; Ad., 9 = 79. Conf., 38. Com.: Pres. No., 244. Mar., 12. Bur., 36. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 23; Schol., 348. Sewing Sch. Teach., 12; Schol., 102. Ch.: Sittings, 530.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$57; Alms Chest, \$35.16; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$2,941.03. S. S. Offerings from Oct. 1875, to Oct. 1876, in addition to amount of Indian Scholarship, \$72.34; For Parish Library, \$10.94; Ch. Property, Repairs of, \$72.13; For Employment Soc., \$75.75; Spe. Off. for the Poor, \$8 09; For Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners, \$55; For Christmas Festival, \$30.96; For Easter Flowers, \$8.43; Total, \$3,416 83.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$52.50; Conv. Fund, \$37.50; St. Luke's Home, \$10; For Hospitals, — Hospital Sunday, \$20 = \$120.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mls., \$41 87. Dom. Mls., \$40.42. Indian Com., \$30.34; Indian Com Support of Scholarship by S. S., \$60 = \$90.34. For Mls., \$40.42 = \$213.05.

Total of Contributions, \$3,749.88.

REMARKS.

Fifty-one women have received work from the Employment Society during the winter.

A box of clothing, valued at \$118.75, has been sent through the Dakota League to the Rev. Mr. Swift, Missionary in Niobrara.

The Rector records his grateful appreciation of the faithful services of his assistant, the Rev. Thomas J. Mackay, and deeply regrets that he is to be deprived of them in the future. It is but fair to say that the growth of the Parish during the year is largely owing to the unflagging interest and unwearied efforts of the Assistant Minister.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BOSTON (CHARLESTOWN).

The Rev. THOMAS RICKER LAMBERT, D. D., *Rector*.

GEORGE N. FISHER and Lieut.-Col. JAMES H. JONES, U. S. Marine Corps, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 47; Ad, 7 = 54. Conf., 15. Com.: Pres. No., 321.

Mar., 20. Bur., 43. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 21; Schol., 215. Ch.: Value, \$67,700. Chapel: Value, \$15,000. Dwelling House, \$4,000. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$86,700.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$256.09; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, by envelope, \$316.77; Pew Rents, \$2,117.37. Total, \$2,934 14. Inc. and Imp of Ch. Property, \$7,754.93; Easter Flowers, \$35. Total, \$10,980.16.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epls. Fund, \$70; Conv. Fund, \$30; Soc. for Relief of the W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$25; Boston Hospitals, \$21; Colored Ch., Washington, \$25 = \$171.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Epls. City Mis., \$50; Dio. B. of Mis., \$27; Bishop Garrett, \$56; For. Mis., \$21.75 = \$154.75.

Total of Contributions, \$11,305.91.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, EAST BOSTON.

The Rev. JULIUS HENRY WATERBURY, A. M., *Rector*.

GEORGE H. PLUMMER and W. A. PARKER, U. S. N., *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 43. Conf., 23. Com.: Pres. No., 150. Mar., 7. Bur., 29. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 25; Schol., 160. Ch.: Value, \$10,000; Sitings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$769.15; Sustentation Fund, \$671.06; Subscriptions, \$241.28 = \$1,681.49. Donations for Restoration of the Ch., \$2,628.75; S. S., \$160; Parish Library, etc., \$40; Floating Debt and Mortgage, \$875.75; The Balance paid by sale of Pews, \$1,075; By Ladies' Fair, \$40. Total, \$6,500.99.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epls. Fund, \$10.50; Soc. for Relief of the W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$22.50; Epls. Ch. Ass., \$10; Soc. for Inc. of Ministry, \$10; Convocations, \$13 = \$66.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Epls. City Mis., \$10; Dio. B. of Mis., \$14.10 = \$24.10. Dom. Mis., \$6. For. Mis., \$4; Woman's Aux., \$5.10 = \$39.20.

Total of Contributions, \$6,606.19.

REMARKS.

By the goodness and mercy of God, St. John's Church has now a new or appropriately restored edifice, and the Parish is virtually out of debt. Thanks to the many generous friends, in and out of the Parish, who thus have aided us in the peculiar hour of need. We would share with them in the faith that thus has made their works "good," and only ask an extension of credit in the debt of love.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, JAMAICA PLAIN.

The Rev. SUMNER UPHAM SHEARMAN, *Rector*.

FRANK W. REYNOLDS and THOMAS P. PROCTOR, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 5; Ad., 2 = 7. Conf., 21. Com.: Ad., 21; Rec., 15 = 36; Rem., 37; Pres. No., 156. Bur., 8. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 16;

Schol., 113. Ch.: Value, \$11,200; Sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$1,800; Sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$35,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

• OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$437.52; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Collections in Ch., \$169.23; Pew Rents, \$1,765; Subscriptions, \$287.50; Investments, \$240; Other Sources, \$135.83 = \$2,597.56. S. S., \$207.34. Total, \$3,242.42.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$175; Conv. Fund, \$37.50; Margaret Coffin P. B. Soc., \$5; Ch. Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, \$12; Christian or Theo. Education, \$25; For other Objects, \$63 = \$317.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of M., \$75; Dom. Mis., \$55.97; Indian Com., \$25 = \$80.97. For. Mis., \$78 = \$233.97.

Total of Contributions, \$3,798.89.

REMARKS.

The present Rector began his ministrations in this Parish on Advent Sunday, Dec. 3, 1876. The former Rector resigned at the preceding Easter, April 16, 1876. The Parish was therefore without a Rector from April 16 to Dec. 3. This fact explains, in part, the diminution of the total of contributions, as compared with the immediately preceding years.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH, BRIGHTON.

The Rev. THOMAS COLE, *Rector*.

THEODORE T. S. LAIDLEY and JOHN H. STURGIS, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 7. Conf., 2. Com.: Ad., 2; Rec., 8 = 10; Rem. 4; Pres. No., 70. Mar., 1. Bur., 1. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 6; Schol., 26. Ch.: Sittings, 280.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offer- tory, \$896.81; Donations, \$331 = \$1,227.83. S. S., \$5; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$20. Total, \$1,252.83.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$22.50.

Total of Contributions, \$1,287.33.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. CHAS. HENRY BABCOCK, *Rector*.

J. H. HATHORNE and GEORGE T. STODDARD, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 11; Ad., 8 = 19. Conf., 19. Com., about 225. Mar., 3. Bur., 11. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 31; Schol., 202. Ch.: Sittings, 700.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$513.76; All Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$4,431.61. S. S., \$78; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property (sub- scription), \$500; Christmas Purposes, \$150. Total, \$5,673.37.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — St. Luke's Home, \$40; Hospital Fund, \$75 = \$115.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS — EpIs. City Mis., \$100; Dio. B. of 1 \$118.72 = \$218.72; Dom. Mis., \$78.21; Indian Com., \$50 = \$128.21; Elgin Mis., \$198.21 = \$545.14.

Total of Contributions, \$6,333.51.

REMARKS.

The above Report includes Rector's salary for one quarter of the only.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, DORCHESTER.

The Rev. W. W. SILVESTER, *Rector*.

JOHN P. CLAPP and DANIEL B. STEDMAN, Jr., *Church Wardens*

Baptized: Inf., 13; Ad., 5 = 18. Com.: Ad., 24; Rec., 6 = 30; 1 2; Rem., 34 = 36; Pres. No., 213. Mar., 1. Bur., 10. S. S.: Off. Teach., 15; Schol., 90.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$302.27; Current Ex., including tor's Sal.: Offertory, \$1,294.89; Pew Rents, \$2,146.75; Donations \$40 Other Sources, \$15.81 = \$3,862.95. S. S. (\$26.46 contributed by t S.), \$112.96; Parochial Mis., \$1,000; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Proper Ladies' Aid Soc., \$16; The Young Workers for the Poor, \$9.12; By La Aid Soc. for the Poor, \$63.75; Total, \$5,367.05.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — EpIs. Fund, \$8.50; Conv. Fund, \$3 Christian or Theo. Education (from the S. S.), \$20 = \$66.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$20.46. Dom. \$77.88; Indian Com., \$78.23; By Ladies' Aid Soc., Clothing for 1 Miss., \$10 = \$166.11. For. Mis., \$41.23 = \$227.80.

Total of Contributions, \$5,660.85.

REMARKS.

The large number of Communicants set down as "removed" is sloned by a revision of the list. The actual removals are three.

FREE CHURCH OF ST. MARY FOR SAILORS, BOSTON.

The Rev. JOSHUA R. PEIRCE, *Rector*.

JAMES W. EARL and RICHARD L. THOMAS, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 8. Com.: Ad., 9; Rem., 10; Pres. No., about 75. 6. Bur., 7. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 4; Schol., about 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: tory, \$581.70; Donations, \$38.23; Other Sources, \$156.36 = \$776.25 S., \$14.50; Charity, \$8.35; Christmas and Easter Decorations, \$ = \$44.35; Total, \$820.64.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — EpIs. City Mis., \$5; Dom. Mis., \$10.

Total of Contributions, \$830.64.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, *Rector*.

DAVID CLAPP and HENRY W. NELSON, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 64; Ad., 7 = 71. Conf. 31. Com.: Ad., 31; I

= 40; Died, 5; Rem., 15 = 20; Pres. No., 400. Mar., 27. Bur., 50. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 30; Schol., 300. Ch.: Value, \$35,000; Sittings, 650. Chapel: Sittings, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$152.58; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$942.79; Pew Rents, \$2,307.82; Subscriptions (Easter Pledges), \$341.80; Donations, \$10 = \$3,602.41. S. S., \$129.60; Special Sums for the Poor, \$45; Parochial Mls., \$200; Ladies' Aid Soc., \$330.84; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$60; Rector's Bible Class, \$30; Literary and Musical Ass., \$356.69; Helping Hand Soc. for S. S. Building Fund, \$568.75; Offerings for S. S. Building Fund, \$81.25; Rector's Aid Soc. for Various Charities, \$290.21; St. Matthew's Chapel, \$459.34 = \$6,306.67.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$70; Conv. Fund, \$37.50; Ch. Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, \$50; Soc. for the Inc. of the Ministry, \$75 = \$232.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dom. Mls., \$9; Mls. in China, \$10; Mls. in Palestine, \$25 = \$44.

Total of Contributions, \$6,583.17.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. WM. WILBERFORCE NEWTON, *Rector*.

ROBERT M. MASON and J. BAXTER UPHAM, M. D., *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 7; Ad., 7 = 14. Conf. 19. Com.: Ad., 19; Rec., 22 = 41; Pres. No. about 251. Mar., 4. Bur., 8. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 18; Schol., 170.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$340.02; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Pew Rents, \$10,426.39; Other Sources, \$2,712.91 = \$13,139.30. S. S., \$143.07; Ladies' Miss. Soc., \$94.89; St. Paul's Guild, \$652.84; St. Paul's Industrial Soc., \$177.15; Poor of the Parish, \$292.93; Retirement of Debt, \$3,248.16 = \$4,465.47. Total, \$18,387.86.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$210; Conv. Fund, \$90; Margaret Coffin P. B. Soc., \$65.82; St. Luke's Home, \$100; Christian or Theo. Education, \$372.26; Hospital Fund, \$126.04 = \$935.05.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Epis. City Mls., \$108.80; Dio. B. of Mls., \$811; Dom. Mls., \$753.26; For. Mls., \$65.76 = \$1,733.32.

Total of Contributions, \$21,061.23.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, *Epis. City Missionary*.

Baptized: Inf. 14; Ad., 1 = 15. Conf., 7. Com.: Add., 20. Died, 1; Rem., 2 = 3. Pres. No., 46. Mar., 8. Bur., 10. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 11; Schol., 50. Ch.: Value, \$100 of Furniture, etc., belonging to the Ch.; Parsonage: Value, \$12,000. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$12,100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex.: Offertory, \$131.79. S. S., \$10.02; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$8.64. Total, \$150.45.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$2.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$3.01; Indian Com. to Bishop Whipple, from the S. S., \$7.76 = \$10.77.

Total of Contributions, \$163.47.

REMARKS.

The "Episcopal City Mission" embraces both St. Stephen's Church, Boston, and Grace Church, South Boston. At the former of these, where we are still using a rented building, the following services were held during the past conventional year, viz., with sermon or lecture, 137; without sermon, 22 = 159. Besides these, services were held in the "Parish Room" of the Mission House, namely: with sermon, 6; without sermon, 17; and classes instructed 36 times, making a total of 143 services with sermon, and 75 other services and instructions without. In all, 218.

The Holy Communion has been celebrated regularly once a month, and on the great festivals besides. Our congregations are increasing, and an awakened interest is manifested; but we are sadly in want of a new Church of our own. We earnestly trust and pray that this great want may speedily be supplied.

TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, *Rector*.

Baptized: Inf., 46; Ad., 14 = 60. Conf., 54. Bur., 25. Mar., 14. S. S.: Off., 5; Teach., 45; Schol., 415; Bible Class Schol., 200 = 665. Sewing School, average attendance, 175.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Alms, \$2,078.10; For. Mis., \$3,018.50; Dom. Mis., \$1,335.56; Dio. Mis., \$1,984.45; City Mis., \$1,866.07; Ch. Home, \$2,304.28; Charitable Soc. of the Parish, \$3,437.94; Indian Mis., \$1,500; Hospital Sunday, \$1,784.40; For the S. S., \$558.62; Contributions of the S. S., \$317; For the Gospel Meetings in the Tabernacle, \$500; To clear the new Ch. of Debt, \$63,794.82; Miscellaneous, \$3,973.46.

Total of Contributions, \$38,453.20.

REMARKS.

The new Church was consecrated on Friday, the 9th of February.

The Free Chapel of the Evangelists, of which the Rev. Mr. Killikelly is minister, and for which he will report, is now under the joint auspices of the Rectors of Emmanuel and Trinity Churches.

TRINITY CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.

The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, *Rector*.

Baptized: Inf., 17; Ad., 2 = 19. Com.: Rec., 3. Died, 1; Rem., 1 = 2. Pres. No., 55. Mar., 4. Bur., 10. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 9; Schol., 58. Ch.: Sitzings, 400. New built 1876, with lot of land not yet assessed, perhaps \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms and Offertory, \$38; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Chertory, Sexton's Salary, \$52; Amount collected of the Subscription List up to Convention Report, \$176.10; From Ch. Fund, \$260; Fuel and Oil, \$36; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$38.85; For S. S. Library, \$24; A Gift for S. S. Library, \$20 = \$744.95.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$43.36.

Total of Contributions, \$788.31.

REMARKS.

Through an inadvertence in the Report of last year, a large sum contributed without the Parish was placed as a contribution within the Parish. During the last year a large and convenient Rectory has been built through the unwearied efforts of friends within and without the Parish limits. An entirely new Sunday-School library has been furnished, and important repairs have been made on the Church. It has been thought best to have the sewing school adjourned to the summer months, to avoid the exposure of the winter. The Parish has felt in common with many others the pressure of the dullness of the manufacturing interests, but still, as a Free Episcopal Church, Trinity has been maintained during the year with constant services.

ST. PAUL'S MISSION CHURCH, BROCKTON.

The Rev. THOMAS G. CARVER, D. D., *Minister in Charge.*

ALEXANDER F. BURDON, *Church Warden.*

Baptized: Inf., 8. Conf., 2. Com., 21. Mar., 2. Bur., 1. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 5; Schol., 25. Total Valuation of Property belonging to the Mission, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$700.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$10.

Total of Contributions, \$710.

REMARKS.

This Mission has been held together through the hard times which have crushed other societies around. A fine lot in the best part of the town has been purchased, and a chapel is now in course of erection. Within three months, at farthest, the Church will possess a good property here. The present population is estimated at 12,000, and cannot but increase. It is only reasonable to anticipate that the Church will have a strong Parish here in a short time.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKLINE.

The Rev. LEONARD KIP STORRS, *Rector.*

JAMES S. AMORY and HENRY S. CHASE, *Church Wardens.*

Baptized: Inf., 7. Conf., 12. Com.: Ad., 12; Rec., 5 = 17; Died, 3; Pres. No., 179. Mar., 1. Bur., 7. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 15; Schol., 112.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$703.01; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$7,200; S. S., for year and Easter, \$167.45; Excursion for Poor in Aug., \$90; Christmas Tree, \$125; Total, \$8,285 46.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epls. Fund, \$150; Conv. Fund, \$32; Ch. Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, \$100; Epls. Ch. Ass., \$20; Chris-

tian or Theol. Education, \$177.14; Brookline Industrial Soc., \$71.26 = \$550.40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$33.28. Dom. Mis., \$173.94; Special for Bp. Vail, \$108; Am. Ch. Mis. Soc., \$78.25 = \$360.19. For. Mis., \$228.97 = \$622.44.

Total of Contributions, \$9,458.30.

REMARKS.

The Parish is in the best possible condition, having a steady growth and an increasing interest on the part of all connected with it. A men's guild, carried on during the winter, has been very successful. All Lenten services and other weekly services have been unexceptionably well attended. Weekly mothers' meetings and cottage lectures in the village, during the winter, have been productive of much good.

MISSION CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, EAST CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. WILLIAM WARLAND, *Missionary*.

Baptized: Inf., 12; Ad., 4 = 16. Conf., 8. Com.: Added, 8; Died, 1; Rem., 15; Pres. No., 55. Mar., 3. Bur., 4. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 17; Schol., 122.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex.: Offertory, \$276.75; Investments, \$110.59 = \$387.34.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$10; Dom. Mis., \$5; For. Mis., \$5 = \$20.

• Total of Contributions, \$407.84.

REMARKS.

As the Mission is composed chiefly of the working classes, the business depression of the times has been severely felt by them, and consequently the weekly offerings are less than they were last year. The income from that source has just about equalled the outlay for sustaining the services. The Sunday congregations are generally quite good, and the Sunday School very well attended. The field is a most important one, and with God's blessing on faithful and judicious ministrations will be crowned with abundant success. The feeble state of my health and the importance of the station make it necessary to place the work in other hands.

CHRIST CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. WILLIAM CHAUNCY LANGDON, D. D., *Rector*.

SAMUEL BATCHELDER, Jr., and FRANCIS C. FOSTER, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized; Inf., 18. Conf., 20. Com.: Ad., 38; Rec., 46 = 84; Died, 3; Rem., 27 = 30; Pres. No., 224. Mar., 6. Bur., 13. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 36; Schol., 190. Ch.: Value, \$50,000; Sittings, 450. Chapel: Value, \$2,500; Sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$7,500; Ministerial Fund, \$12,109.48. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$72,109.48.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$4,409.11. S. S., \$196.58; Reduction of Parish Debt, \$2,808; Care of the Parish Poor, \$453.38. Total, \$7,867.07.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$60; Conv. Fund, \$30; Epis. Clerical Fund, \$32.36; Christian or Theo. Education, \$50; Cambridge Dispensary, \$32.09; Mis. Chapel, St. James's Ch., No. Cambridge, \$24.23; St. Mary's Ch. for Colored People, Washington, D. C., \$29.05 = \$257.73.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$94.58; Dom. Mis., \$30.89, Bp. Garrett for Northern Texas, \$106.56; Bp. Whipple, \$71.22; Bp. Vall, for Kansas, \$57.27; For. Mis., \$39.29 = \$399.79.

Total of Contributions, \$8,524.59.

REMARKS.

The above report includes, of course, only those statedly identified with the congregation of this Church. In addition to these, some thirty students of Harvard College are regular worshippers with us during term time, of whom about one half are communicants, and some of whom also assist in the Sunday School, in the choir, and in parochial mission work.

A notable feature in the above report is the large number of communicants lost on the one hand and received on the other, in consequence of removals from or into the Parish, indicating the very fluctuating character of the community and congregation.

At the beginning of the current calendar year, the financial system of the Parish was radically changed. No charge is now made for the use of any pew or sittings in the Church. Individuals or families continue to have their seats or pews as usual, but it is upon the sole condition of occupying them. For the support of the Church and all current expenses, the dependence is upon the voluntary self-assessments and other free-will contributions of the congregation through the regular Sunday offertory; and thus far, at least, this change has been not only a moral but also a decided *financial success*.

The combined Sunday School and children's service every Sunday afternoon, save during the midsummer months, continues to be a successful feature of our system, furnishing the Rector as it does the continuous opportunity and power of personally training the younger portion of the flock in sacred doctrine and in churchly habits of worship.

With the faithful assistance of one of the graduating class of the Cambridge Episcopal Theological School, the Rector has latterly maintained an informal weekly religious service, from house to house, in one of the poorer neighborhoods of the Parish, with an average attendance of from 30 to 35. Friday-evening-meetings and Bible classes for working men and women have also been begun by two ladies of the congregation.

The Rector reports, under the head of *personal ministrations*, during the year, that he has read or assisted in reading service 177 times; sermons and addresses, 169; administrations of the Holy Communion, 18; Baptisms, 17; Marriages, 2; and funerals, 9.

FREE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. THEODOSIUS S. TYNG, *Rector*.

Mr. HENRY H. HAYNES, *Lay Reader* (at St. James's Chapel, West Somerville).

JAMES M. BARKER and CHARLES R. WOODS, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 31; Ad., 3 = 34 Conf., 6. Com.: Ad., 7; Rec., 7 = 14; Died, 1; Rem. 10 = 11; Pres. No., 99. Mar., 3. Bur., 6. S. S.:

Off. and Teach., 16; Schol., 116. Ch.: Value, \$10,000; Sittings, 275. Chapel: Value, \$3,000; Sittings, 175. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$13,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH — Alms, \$52.43; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$1,059.62; Other Sources, \$347. Total, \$1,406.83. S. S., \$38.30; Parish Paper, \$216.37; Parochial Mss., 80 74; Other Parochial Objects, \$112.88. Total, \$1,907.55.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Soc. for Relief of the W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$18.56; Episc. Clerical Fund, \$14.86; Theo. Education, \$5.10; American Bible Soc., \$10; Cambridge Dispensary, \$11.61 = \$60.13.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS — Dom. Mss., \$108.41; Home Mis. to Colored People, \$1.32; Indian Com., \$6.75 = \$116.48; For. Mis., including \$50 from S. S. for scholarship in Bridgman Memorial School, Shanghai, \$208.32 = \$324.80.

Total of Contributions, \$2,292.48.

REMARKS.

On Sunday, Nov. 26, a Mission Chapel, under the care of St. James's Church, was opened at West Somerville, permission having been previously obtained from the Rectors of the two Parishes in Somerville. There has been a growth, both in numbers and interest, since the opening of the Chapel. The Sunday School now numbers 28 scholars, and the congregation on Sunday afternoon ranges from 35 to 60. With the exception of two families, these persons have never been in the habit of attending any Episcopal Church, and some of them have attended no Sunday services whatever. When it is considered that the whole expense of carrying on this mission is only about \$350 a year, including the interest on a mortgage of \$650, these numbers must seem sufficiently encouraging. The cost of the Chapel, with its furniture and the land on which it stands, was about \$3,000. Of this, \$725 still remains unpaid.

Mr. Haynes, of the Senior Class in the Theological School, who has been Lay Reader at the Chapel, deserves great praise for faithful work done there.

ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL CHAPEL, CAMBRIDGE.

(*Chapel of the Episcopal Theological School.*)

The Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D. D., *Dean.*

Baptized: Inf., 6; Conf., 12. Families in the Congregation (registered), 61, comprising about 225 persons. Com., 124. S. S.: Teach. and Off., 12; Schol., 62. Mar., 2. Bur., 2.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Current Ex. and S. S. (no salary paid by the Congregation), \$1,613; Alms, \$252.49; Mss.: Dio., \$60; Dom., \$112.50; Indian, \$113.96; For., including Mexican, \$174.35; Cambridge Dispensary, \$56; Savannah sufferers, \$25; Miscellaneous, \$85.

Total of Contributions, \$2,492.30.

REMARKS.

This Chapel was erected primarily for the free use of such members of Harvard University as should desire to attend the services of the Church,

as well as for that of the students and professors of the school, with the families of the latter.

But, the services being free to all, a congregation has grown up, the regular attendants among whom are registered. There are many others that are present more or less habitually, so that the average number of worshippers on Sunday mornings is about 250, including the students of the University.

This condition of affairs precludes any parochial organization and any relations with the convention. The foregoing statistics can, therefore, not be viewed as a parochial report, but may, nevertheless, be embraced in a survey of the State and work of the Church in Massachusetts.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev EDWARD MANNING GUSHEE, *Rector*.

EDWARD R. COGGSWELL and WILLIAM W. DALLINGER, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 34; Ad., 3 = 37. Conf., 19. Com.: Ad., 20; Rec., 2; = 22. Died. 2; Rem., 4 = 6. Pres. No., 253. Bur., 26. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 27; Schol., 165 = 192.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, not otherwise reported, \$79.06; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$3,342.35 = \$3,421.41. Industrial Donations, \$23; Sewing School Material, \$13.25; Young Men's Guild, \$111.60; Young Women's Guild, \$9 = \$156.85. Total, \$3,588.26.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$36.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$25; Dom. Mis., \$72; Indian Com., \$29.75; S. S. for Dr. Crummell, \$12 = \$138.75.

Total of Contributions, \$3,763.01.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, CHELMSFORD.

The Rev. B. F. COOLKY, *Rector*.

CHAS. D. CLARK and ALEXANDER PAASCHE, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 6; Ad., 4 = 10. Conf., 7. Com.: Pres. No., 33. Bur., 1. Chap.: Sittings, 50. Parsonage and Land: Value, \$3,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex.: Offertory, \$200; Other Sources, about \$200 = \$400.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Contributed to House of Prayer, Lowell, \$50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$4. . .

Total of Contributions, \$454.

REMARKS.

Services have been regularly held nearly two years in Chelmsford and in neighboring villages, as Providence seemed to open the way. The results are encouraging in the active and interested people of the Parish at Chelmsford, the completion of a church in Lowell, about three miles from

Chelmsford, and the occasional services at Billerica, which awaken a hope of a church being built in that town. Services have been held at North Chelmsford, where there are several Church families. Chelmsford has been undertaken as a centre for Church work, and at present three stations have services, with occasional help of lay readers.

The Parish has been notified that \$200 is to be withdrawn from the stipend of \$300 granted by the Board of Missions, and still another circular has been received, which leaves us in doubt whether anything will be granted the coming year or not. With four services held constantly on Sundays in two places of worship, and demands for another in a neighboring town, it leaves no doubt in minds of those who work and pray in this part of the Lord's vineyard, as to the wisdom of withholding support where it is absolutely needed, and without which we shall be obliged to look to other outside sources for help. The Parish hopes, the coming year, by proper use of its present cumbersome property, to be able to build a small church.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CHELSEA.

The Rev. JOHN T. BURRILL, *Officiating Clergyman.*

WILLIAM R. PEARMAIN and WILLIAM B. WHITING, *Church Wardens*

Baptized: Inf., 14; Ad., 1 = 15. Conf., 13. Com.: Ad., 13; Rec., 15 = 28; Died, 2; Rem., 6 = 8; Pres. No., about 175. Mar., 13. Bur., 17. S. S.: Off and Teach., 17; Schol., 125. Ch.: Value, \$15,000; Sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$78.11; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$308.07; Collections in Ch., \$41.44; Pew Rents, \$307.44; Investments, \$110 = \$1,445.06. S. S., 59.44; Other Parochial Objects, \$143.96. Total, \$1,726.57.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$18; Am. Bible Soc., \$15 = \$33.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$18.50.

Total of Contributions, \$1,778.07.

REMARKS.

The general business depression has affected unfavorably the financial interests of this Parish the past year.

GRACE CHURCH, CHICOPEE, MASS.

STEPHEN LAMSON and JONATHAN BEARDMORE HAMMERSLEY, *Church Wardens.*

Com., 29. S. S.: Schol., 27.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Pew Rents and Subscriptions, \$450.

REMARKS.

The Parish of Grace Church, Chicopee, after a hard and varied experience from its organization in 1846, ceased services in 1868. In February, 1872, the Church was so much injured by fire that it cannot be again opened for service or profitably repaired. At the beginning of Lent of this year, 1877, the Parish renewed public service, once on each Lord's day, in the Universalist meeting-house. So far the Rev. Dr. Burgess, of Springfield, has supplied ministrations. The congregation has been large, but many of those attending may not be found willing to attach themselves to the Parish. It is the design of the Church people, with the Lord's help, to re-establish a more permanent work in Chicopee. They may be forced, in their weakness, to seek pecuniary aid from the Board of Missions and from more favored Churches of the Diocese. They ask the interest and prayers of the Clergy and Laity of the Church.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, CLINTON.

The Rev. JOHN WOODBRIDGE BIRCHMORE, *Missionary*.

Baptized: Inf., 20; Ad., 1 = 21. Conf., 18. Com.: Ad., 12; Rec., 10 = 22; Died, 1; Rem., 14 = 15; Pres. No., 72. Mar., 3. Bur., 6. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 6; Schol., 100. Ch.: Value, \$8,000; Sitzings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$660; Other Parochial Objects, viz: By Members of the Congregation for the Land and Church, \$3,500 = \$4,160.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Margaret Coffin P. B. Soc., \$4.32; Female P. B. Soc., Philadelphia, \$4.32 = \$8.64.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS — Dio. B. of Mis., \$22; For. Mis., \$5.89 = \$27.89.

Total of Contributions \$4,196.53.

REMARKS.

Since work was begun in Clinton, just three years ago, it has been a Mission Station, and continues to be such. Hence every effort has been turned towards obtaining a place in which to worship. Happly we can now say there is a nice Church or Chapel, 60 feet by 27, with a basement for Sunday-School purposes, etc., built of wood, and this at a cost of \$5,500, including furnishing. The land was given by many individuals and is estimated at \$2,500. One half of the cost of the Church building was given in Clinton, most of it by one Churchman, and the other half came from abroad in sums large and small. The hard times have made the work more difficult.

The Church is well situated, facing the public square. The lot offers abundant room for the future enlargement of the Church, should that become necessary. The sittings are free, and are in number 200. The Church was consecrated by the Bishop, the 17th of April, A. D. 1877. The corner-stone was laid Oct. 28, 1876.

Clinton contains, by the census, 7,000 inhabitants. It is a manufacturing town and is compactly built.

CALVARY CHURCH, DANVERS.

The Rev. WILLIAM INGRAM MAGILL, *Rector.*JOHN S. PRATT and BENJAMIN R. TIBBETTS, *Church Wardens.*

Baptized: Inf., 10. Conf., 2. Com.: Ad. 2; Rec., 3 = 5. Died, 2; Rem., 4 = 6. Pres. No., 74. Bur., 5. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 13. Schol., 75. Ch.: Value, \$10,000. Sittings, 275. Parsonage Lot: Value, \$600. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$10,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$10; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$460.41; Subscriptions, \$152.70; Interest on Investments, \$141 = \$754.11. S. S., \$51.02; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$58.95. Total, \$874.08.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$8.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$14.44.

Total of Contributions, \$896.52.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, DEDHAM.

The Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN, *Rector.*IRA CLEVELAND and THOMAS L. WAKEFIELD, *Church Wardens.*

Baptized: Inf., 20; Ad., 6 = 26. Conf., 27. Com.: Ad., 12; Rec., 5 = 17. Died, 8; Rem., 10 = 13. Pres. No., 194. Mar., 2. Bur., 13. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 19; Schol., 115. Mis. S. S.: Teach. and Off., 12; Schol., 127. Ch.: Value, \$30,000; Sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$6,000; Sittings, 160. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$36,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$85.46. Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., Offertory, \$584.51; Pew Rents, \$1,421.63; Subscriptions, \$40; Investments, \$676.83; Other Sources, \$1,044.11 = \$3,767.08. S. S., \$115.07; Parochial Mis., \$990.66; Other Parochial Objects, \$145.13. Total, \$5,103.40.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epils. Clerical Fund, \$25; For other Objects without Parish, 79.59 = \$104.59.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$117.63; Dom. Mis., \$166.12; Indian Com., \$10; For. Mis., 114 71 = \$408.46.

Total of Contributions, \$5,616.45.

REMARKS.

In addition to the above contributions, a private communion service of solid silver has been presented to the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions, for the use of the Missionary Bishop of Africa, by a lady of the Parish, and a box for the Indian work, under Bishop Hare, has been prepared under the auspices of the Parish Guild.

The above report includes all items obtainable in connection with the Mission of the Good Shepherd, Oakdale, except the cost of the Chapel.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, EASTHAMPTON.

The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, *Rector*.N. W. FARRAR and THOMAS BUTTERWORTH, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 3. Conf., 2. Com.: Ad., 2; Rec., 2 = 4; Died, 1;
 Pres. No., 50. Bur., 1. Families, 26. Congregation, average, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH.—Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$650.95. Of the \$650.95 necessary to carry on the Parish, \$200 was received from the Board of Missions, the balance was secured within the Parish by offerings, subscriptions, and from a reserved fund in bank. We have no debt, May 1st, '77. Offertory (including Communion alms), \$86.37; Subscriptions, \$168; Parish Festivals, \$28; Investment, Interest, \$8. Total, \$941.32.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH.—Epls. Fund, \$6.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Dio. B. of Mis., \$20.

Total of Contributions, \$961.32.

REMARKS.

Easthampton is a town having a population of 3,500. There is a flourishing seminary for boys in the place, and quite a number of those are reared in the Church and attend our services. The mills furnish employment to a number of English families, and these families, in most cases, connect themselves with the Church. If we had a house of God, our congregation would largely increase and the Church would be firmly established in the place. There is no place of the size, that we know of, where a Chapel is more desirable, and where, under proper care, the field would be more encouraging.

ASCENSION CHURCH, FALL RIVER.

The Rev. WILLIAM T. FITCH, *Rector*.BORDEN CHASE and R. H. W. RAMSAY, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 60, Ad., 4 = 64. Conf., 15. Com.: Ad., 15. Rec., 30. Pres. No., about 240. Mar., 16. Bur., 19. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 33; Schol., 225 = 258. Mis. Sch.: Teach., 6; Schol., 67 = 73. Total, 39 Teach.; 292 Schol. Total both Schools, 331. Ch.: Value, \$58,000; Sitings, 600. Parsonage: Value, \$10,000. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$68,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH.—Current Ex. including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, 8 months, with special for Christmas and Easter, \$148; Collections in Ch., \$267.08; Pew Rents, \$2,043.88; Subscriptions for Music, 4 mos., \$163; Donations, \$135 = \$2,756.96. S. S., Screen for Memorial Window, \$49.32; S. School Library, \$71.24; Hymnals S. S. Library, \$50; New Chapel, \$50; Parochial Mis., Flint Village, 6 mos., \$146.85 = \$367.41. Balance paid on new Church, \$4,005. Total, \$7,129.37.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Episc. Fund, \$75; Conv. Fund, \$5; E Clerical Fund, \$14; Christian or Theo. Education, Fairbault, Bls Whipple, Div School, from S. S., \$25; Orphan Home, Fall River, \$42 Increase of Ministry, \$3 = \$164 45.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$50; Woman's Aux of Mis., Mass., \$10; Dom Mis., \$25; Indian Com., Box valued at 1 Box to Dom. Mis. in Georgia, \$100; For. Mis., \$25; For. Mis. from S \$25 = \$285.

Total of Contributions, \$7,593.82.

REMARKS.

The last report was made three years since. Besides the official acts of May, 1876 to 1877, we here report for years past the following on Parish Register have never been reported to the Convention: For years 1874 1875, 117 Baptisms, 40 Marriages, 17 Burials; performed by 19 different clergymen, including the former Rector. The present Rector removed to River in September, 1876, but the Report, except for Communion offerings embraces the whole year. Two missions have been established, at which the Rector officiates on alternate Sundays. One at Flint Village has had a decided success, and a Sunday School is well conducted by 2 members of the vestry. There are now 6 teachers and 67 scholars. Another mission is to be started at Border City, 2 miles from the Parish Church. Besides the regular services, Sunday and week-day, in the Church, frequent cottage meetings have been held in different parts of the parish. Lent was most precious to all. The average attendance per day at services was 42. We believe God by his Spirit is moving on the hearts of his people here, and they are striving after a holier life. "Well may we thank God and take courage."

We cannot yet present our new Church for consecration. The property has been leased for a term of years, and it is hoped by the time of the expiration of the lease that it can be sold for more than enough to pay the whole indebtedness of the Church. Mention should be made of the children of the Sunday School have paid in full for the elegant window of the Church. It is in 5 compartments (The Blessed Saviour and the 4 Evangelists). It was given by them as a memorial of the Bishop of Colorado, who was the first Rector of the Parish, and cost \$1,000.

The ladies of the Parish have been alive in good works, having purchased and nearly paid for one of Hook's organs of 30 stops, besides furnishing the Church entire. Even when without a Rector to stimulate them, they sent a box of clothing to the Indian Commission.

GRACE CHURCH, FISKDALE.

GEORGE H. SPARHAWK and ALFRED HALL, *Church Wardens.*

Baptized: Inf., 6. Com.: Ad., 5; Rem., 6; Pres. No., 9. S. S.: 10 and Teach., 7; Schol., 35.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex.: Offertory, \$117.77; Subscriptions, \$791.38; Ladies' Soc. (Helping Hand), \$130 19 = \$1,039.34.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Levi Boyer, formerly Rector of this Parish, resigned on 1st of July, 1876. Since that date the Parish has been without a set

minister. Services have been held twice each Sunday, and Holy Communion has been administered regularly each month. The interest in the Sunday School has been maintained, and the number is fully kept up. The changeable nature of the population makes the success of the Church all the more encouraging. This Report covers the time from May 11, 1876, to Easter, 1877.

CHRIST CHURCH, FITCHBURG.

DENNIS FAY and W. W. BAILEY, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 14. Conf., 6. Com.: Ad., 4; Rec., 2 = 6; Died, 1; Rem., 15 = 16; Pres. No., 172. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 20; Schol., 115, Ch.: Value, \$48,000; Sitzings, 500. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$46,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$37.95; Current Ex.: Collections in Ch., \$42.40; Pew Rents, paid to date, \$2,142; Donations, by Ladies of Parish, \$600 = \$2,784.40. S. S. from Fund, \$219; Parish Library, \$30.83; S. S. Publications, \$31.48. Total, \$3,103.66.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$56; Conv. Fund, \$20 = \$76.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$15; Dom. Mis., \$25.25; Value of material sent Bp. Whipple Hospital, \$85; Value of material sent George N. James, Franklin, Tenn., \$116.80 = \$177.05.

Total of Contributions, \$3,356.71.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FRAMINGHAM.

The Rev. FRANCIS CHASE, *Rector*.

JAMES W. BROWN, M. D., and ALEXANDER R. ESTY, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 9. Com.: Rec. 10; Rem., 7; Pres. No., 73. Mar., 1. Bur., 4. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 4; Schol., 26.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Weekly Offertory, \$613.81; Subscriptions, \$200; Other Sources, \$217 = \$1,030.81.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$8; Church Home, \$5 = \$13.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$23. Dom. Mis., \$25; Indian Com., \$8; Box through Dakotah League, \$20; For. Mis., \$6.75 = \$82.75.

Total of Contributions, \$1,126 56.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, GLOUCESTER.

The Rev. WILLIAM ROBERT HOOPER, Jr., *Rector*.

JOHN H. STACY and WILLIAM BABSON, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 6; Ad., 1 = 7. Conf., 1. Com.: Pres. No., 64. Mar., 11. Bur., 3. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 8; Schol., 57.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$681.42.

Total of Contributions, \$681.42.

SAINT JAMES'S CHURCH, GREAT BARRINGTON.

The Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN ANDERSON, *Rector*.

M. L. WHITLOCK and WM. H. PARKS, M. D., *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf. 6; Ad., 3 = 9. Conf., 9. Com.: Ad., 8; Rec., 6 = 14. Died, 12. Rem., 13 = 25. Pres. No., 138. Mar., 6. Bur., 15. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 14; Schol., 70 = 84.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$152.16; Other Sources, \$1,310.31 = \$1,462.37. S. S., \$24.34. Inc. and Imp. Ch. Property, \$1,205.40. Total, \$2,844.27.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Margaret Coffin P. B. Soc., \$4.65; Churchman Cot., \$14.89 = \$19.54.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$31; Dom. Mis., \$20.62; Mexican Mis., \$28; St. Mark's, Salt Lake (Scholarship), \$40; For. Mis., China, \$32.72 = \$152.34.

Total of Contributions, \$3,016.15.

REMARKS.

Although this Parish has suffered much by death and removals within the past two years, it still manifests a good deal of vigor. Since the last Convention, the old rectory has been removed and a new one erected more in keeping with the beautiful Church near which it stands. A debt still remains on the rectory, but it is hoped that this will be removed in a comparatively short time.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREENFIELD.

The Rev. SAMUEL HOLLINGSWORTH, S. T. D., *Rector*.

SIMEON PHILLIPS and CHARLES R. LOWELL, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 6; Ad., 2 = 8. Conf., 13. Com.: Ad., 13; Died, 3; Pres. No., 137. Mar., 3. Bur., 9. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 16; Schol., 140. Ch.: Value, \$18,000; Sittings, 350. Chapel: Value, \$3,000; Sittings, 125. Parsonage: Value, \$8,000. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$29,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms (extended in parochial purposes only), \$85; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$222.75; Pew Rents, \$1,500 = \$1,722.75. S. S., \$25; Ladies' Aid Soc., for reducing debt, \$750. Total, \$2,582.75.

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OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$51.27; Conv. Fund, \$15; Epis. Clerical Fund, \$10 = \$76.27.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$34.51; S. S. Offerings for do., \$10 = \$44.51. Dom. Mis., \$29.15; Mite Chests, \$40; Home Mis. to Colored People, \$5; Indian Com., \$10 = \$84.15; For Mis., \$11; S. S., for general Mis., \$55 = \$194.66.

Total of Contributions, \$2,853.68.

REMARKS.

The Rector's thanks are again due to the Ladies' Aid Society, for their cordial and generous co-operation in many good works. Since Easter, 1876, the ladies have paid in \$750 towards the reduction of the Church debt. In addition, they have forwarded a box of clothing to Rev. J. J. Enmegabowh, worth \$70, and have also responded to a second call made by the Dakota League, by sending another box, worth \$60, to the Bishop Whipple Hospital, White Earth, Minn.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, HANOVER.

The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D D., *Officiating Minister.*

LEMUEL CUSHING WATERMAN and WARREN WRIGHT, *Church Wardens.*

Baptized: Inf., 6; Ad., 2 = 8. Conf., 4. Com.: Ad., 4; Rec., 2 = 6; Died, 3; Pres. No., 78. Mar., 2. Bur., 9. S. S.: Offl. and Teach., 10; Schol., 66. Ch.: Value, \$8,000; Sitings, 500. Parsonage: Value, \$4,600. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$12,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$162.75: Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Subscriptions, \$1,508.19; Investments, \$111.37 = \$1,619.56. S. S. (\$14.03 contributed by the S. S.), \$137.57; Parish Library, \$16.24; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$391.29; Christmas Gift to the Minister of the Parish, \$101 = \$2,428.41.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$28; Conv. Fund, \$18; Epis. Clerical Fund, \$33.41; Ch. Home (from S. S.), \$5; St. Luke's Home, \$5; Am. Bible Soc., \$26, Relief of Poor, etc., \$50 = \$165.41.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$40; Dom. Mis., \$10; Home Mis. to Colored People (\$5 from S. S.), \$10; Indian Com., Dak. Lea. of Mass. (money and 52 articles of clothing), \$37.90; For. Mis. (\$5 from S. S.), \$10; Mass. Branch Woman's Aux., \$10; Mexican Mis. Lea., \$10 = \$127.90.

Total of Contributions, \$2,721.72.

REMARKS.

\$131 93 of the contributions reported above are to be credited to the Parish sewing circle, whose efficiency and usefulness are deserving of much commendation. The room (connected with the Church) which is used as a Chapel has been repaired and refurnished, and affords pleasant accommodations for carrying on the various departments of Parish work.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE, *Rector*.

Baptized: Inf., 12; Ad., 10 = 22. Com.: Ad., 21; Rec., 8 = 29. Pres. No., 44. Mar., 6; Bur., 6; S. S.: Off. and Teach., 6; Schol., 52. Ch.: Value, \$5,000; Sitzings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex.: Offertory, \$307.84. S. S., \$10.67; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$100; Christmas Tree, \$22.11; Alms Chest, \$20.50; Material for garments for poor, \$52. Total, \$513.12.

Total of Contributions, \$513.12.

TRINITY CHURCH, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES ARTHUR RAND, *Rector*.

EDWARD F. ADAMS and CHARLES T. CHASE, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 11; Ad., 5 = 16. Conf., 15. Com.: Ad., 4; Rec., 4 = 8. Died, 4; Rem. 8 = 12. Pres. No., 189. Mar., 3. Bur., 9. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 17. Schol., 131. Ch.: Value, including Chime, \$12,750; Sitzings, 500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms. \$18.67; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$1,611.29; S. S., \$125.29; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$166.27; Payment of Debt, \$419.15. Total, \$2,340.67.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$10.50; Conv. Fund, \$22.50 = \$33.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dioc. B. of Mis., \$24.76; Dom. Mis., \$13.19; For. Mis., \$3.89 = \$41.84.

Total of Contributions, \$2,415.51.

REMARKS.

During the summer of 1876 the Church building was thoroughly repaired and painted, inside and out, at an expense of about \$600, which appears, in part, on the report of last year. Various additions also have been made to the furniture of the Church, including altar-cloths, lectern-hangings, etc., all of which were provided by the exertions of the Ladies' sewing circle or were the kind gifts of members of the Parish. In December last the Church was made the grateful recipient of a very beautiful and valuable service of silver for the Holy Communion, the offering of Mr. Charles E. Johnson, of Boston, in memory of his brother, the late George Johnson, of Bradford, who was for many years a valued member of the Parish, and whose remembrance lives in the affection of all who knew him. This most generous gift, and appropriate memorial of a good man entered into rest, was first used at the Holy Communion on Christmas Day.

A still further reduction of the floating debt of the Parish, to the amount given above, has been made during the year. Efforts are now making to pay off the little which remains before the summer, and it is hoped that in the next report it may be in the power of the Rector to state that the Parish is free from all indebtedness.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOLYOKE.

The Rev. WILLIAM PACKARD TUCKER, *Rector*.GEORGE H. LEDOYT and ELIAS P. FORD, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 34; Ad., 9 = 43. Conf., 4. Com.: Ad., 9; Rec., 12 = 21; Died, 3; Rem., 18 = 21. Pres. No., 134. Mar., 3. Bur., 7. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 18; Schol., 127. Ch.: Value, \$20,000; Sitings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$66.73; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$616.69; Pew Rents, \$1,586.17; Subscriptions for Music, \$130; Ladies' Society, \$219.98 = \$2,552.84. S. S.: Ex., \$26.86; Christmas, \$29.30; Excursion, \$15.88; Library, \$55.63 = \$127.67. Total, \$2,747.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$52.50; Conv. Fund, \$27; Epis. Clerical Fund, \$9.75; Sufferers by Fever in Brunswick, Ga., \$14.60; Sufferers by Fever in Savannah, Ga., \$14.60 = \$118.45.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$34.57; Dom. Mis., \$15.23; Bp. Tuttle from S. S., for scholarship at Salt Lake City, \$10; For. Mis., \$12.31 = \$72.16.

Total of Contributions, \$2,987.85.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOPKINTON.

The Rev. FRANKLIN LEONARD BUSH, *Missionary*.WILLARD WADSWORTH and WILLIAM KENNEDY, *Church Wardens*.

Conf., 1. Com., Pres. No., 14. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$2,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., \$45.91.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$5; To the Bishop of Easton for a disabled Clergyman, \$10 = \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$6.27; Dom. Mis., \$3.01; Indian Com., \$3.21; For. Mis., \$7.84; B. of Mis., 4th of July Offering, \$6.11 = \$26.44.

Total of Contributions, \$87.35.

CHRIST CHURCH, HYDE PARK.

The Rev. ROBERT BOYD VAN KLEECK, D. D., *Rector*.HENRY HYDE SMITH and B. H. HARDY, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 5; Ad., 8 = 13. Conf., 19 (1 in Grace, Newton, and 6 in St. Paul's, Dedham). Com.: Ad., 14; Rec., 7 = 21; Died, 2; Rem., 20 = 22. Pres. No., 131. Mar., 3. Bur., 5. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 15; Schol., 85. Ch. and Land adjoining: Value, \$22,266; Sitings, 350.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$88.57; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$390.98; Collections in Ch. (by Envelopes), \$220.40; Pew Rents, \$1,242.28; Donations, \$100; Other Sources, \$10.50 = \$2,052.73. S. S., \$15.67. Total, \$2,068.40.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$42; Conv. Fund, \$15; Epis. Clerical Fund, \$10 = \$67.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$21.83; Dom. Mis., \$23.22, and Mite Chests, \$10.43 = \$33.65; Indian Com., through Dak. Lea., \$50.70; Box for Bp. Whipple Hospital, value, \$45 = \$95.70; For. Mis., in part by Women's Branch, \$11 = \$162.18.

Total of Contributions, \$2,297.58.

REMARKS.

Through the year, services have been had on Wednesdays and Fridays, with lectures on Wednesday evenings, and services and lectures on the holy days. The Holy Communion has been administered on the first Sunday in each month, on the second and third Sundays in Advent and Lent, and whenever a proper preface has been appointed. The Parish has been affected by very frequent removals and the general pressure of the times, but it is hoped that these temporary difficulties will soon be removed, and that with the increasing population of the town, the church will grow in strength and prosperity.

ASCENSION CHURCH, IPSWICH.

REUBEN KIDNER, *Lay Reader*.

FULLER APPLETON and EVERARD H. MARTIN, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 6; Ad., 3 = 9. Conf., 13. Com.: Ad., 13; Pres. No., 41. Mar., 2. Bur., 4. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 10; Schol., 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., \$700; Collections in Ch., \$81; Subscriptions, \$350; Donations, \$300; S. S., \$21.65. Total, \$752.65.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$8.25.

Total of Contributions, \$760.90.

REMARKS.

The resignation of the Rev. B. F. Newton went into effect on the last Sunday in December; and on the first Sunday in January, Mr. Kidner, of the Cambridge Theological School, took charge of the services.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LANESBOROUGH.

The Rev. CHARLES COLLARD ADAMS, *Rector*.

JEDEDIAH W. NEWTON and JESSE C. PRATT, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 3. Com.: Ad., 1. Died, 1. Pres. No., 55. Mar., 5. Bur., 2. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 6. Schol., 30. Ch.: Value, \$15,000. Sittings, 400. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000. Fund, \$9,000. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$27,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Collections in Ch., \$94; Subscriptions, \$221; Investments, \$650; Other Sources, \$279 = \$1,244. S. S., \$7.24; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$138.79. Total, \$1,390.03.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$6.77; Conv. Fund, \$6.77; Epis. Clerical Fund, \$8.96; Christian or Theo. Education, S. I. M., \$13.41; Epis. Fund (1876), \$7.51; S. S. for Churchman's Cot, \$7.24 = \$54.66.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., 1876, \$6.68; 1877, \$2.33; Dom. Mis., \$10.13; S. S.: To educate a woman candidate for the Ministry, \$12.50; For. Mis., \$10.13 = \$41.77.

Total of Contributions, \$1,486.46.

GRACE CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, *Rector*.

The Rev. AMOS SKEELE, *Assistant*.

JAMES PAYNE and JOHN C. HOADLEY, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 43; Ad., 8 = 51. Conf., 28. Com.: Ad., 27; Rec., 10 = 37. Died, 4; Rem., 33 = 37. Pres. No., 230. Mar., 16. Bur., 32. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 24; Schol., 232. Ch.: Value, \$13,000; Sitings, 600. Chapel: Value, \$2,000; Sitings, 300. Total valuation of Ch. Property, \$20,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$322.34; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Pew Rents, \$3,012.62; Subscriptions, \$947.49; Donations, \$30 = \$3,990.11. S. S., for papers, prayer books, etc., \$21.64. Collected by the S. S. Schol. for the Library, \$105.19; From the ladies for an organ, \$215; From the ladies for poor of the Parish, \$33; From the S. S., towards erection of a new Chapel, \$100. Total, \$4,787.28.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$141.80; Conv. Fund, \$27; Soc. for Relief of W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$41.22; Christian or Theol. Education, \$24.86; American Bible Soc., \$36.18; Faribault Divinity School, \$10; Annual collection for the poor of the city, \$125.14; From the S. S., for the city Day Nursery, \$8. Total, \$414.20.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$69.78; Dom. Mis., \$41.98; Indian Com.: From the ladies' box for Dakotah League, \$19.25; From the ladies for Dakotah League, \$4; From the ladies for St. Mary's School, Sant Agency, \$10; S. S., for Bp. Spaulding, \$50.64; For. Mis., \$56.35; From the S. S., for Mexico, \$50.64 = \$302.64.

Total of Contributions, \$5,504.52.

REMARKS.

The late Rector, Rev. George Packard, in his last report said, "Should my life be spared to the second Sunday in October of this year, my thirtieth anniversary of service in connection with this Parish may be celebrated."

The sermon which he preached on that occasion was his last. On the evening of Thanksgiving Day, Nov 30, he passed quietly away. On Sunday, Oct. 11, 1846, he conducted the first Episcopal service ever held in

this city, then called "Merrimac." By his faithful care, his great energy, his exemplary character and solid teachings the Parish has, under God's providence, grown to its present strength.

Again, to quote from his report, "I was with it in its feeble, struggling infancy, watched over it in its hopeful, growing youth, and am now witnessing and rejoicing in the strength and maturity of its manhood. To the Great Head of the Church be all the praise for His goodness to me and this people."

The present rector entered upon his duties in February, and Rev. Mr. Skeele has been working faithfully and energetically since the middle of March.

Through the efforts of the ladies, a new cabinet organ has been placed in the Chapel. The children of the Sunday School began at Easter a fund towards the erection of a new Chapel, which is much needed.

A Guild of young men, and a chorus choir have been organized during the year.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. BELNO ADDISON BROWN, *Rector*.

JAMES WALTON and CHARLES C. TALBOT, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 50; Ad., 12 = 62. Conf. 62. Com.: Pres. No., 300. Mar., 8. Bur., 25. S. S. Off. and Teach., 25; Schol., 250. Ch.: Value, \$15,000; Sittings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$30; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$287.48; Pew Rents, \$1,658.78; Other Sources, \$1,115.32 = \$3,071.58. S. S., \$365. Total, \$3,466.58.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Christian or Theo. Education, \$75; St. Mary's Ch., Washington (colored), \$50 = \$125.

Total of Contributions, \$3,591.58.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, LEE.

The Rev. WILLIAM ROBERT HARRIS, *Rector*.

LUCIUS CROCKER and JOHN HANNA, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 3; Ad., 3 = 6. Conf., 5. Com.: Pres. No., 52. Bur., 4. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 8; Schol., 30. Ch.: Value, \$8,000; Sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$32.33; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$89.97; Pew Rents, \$311.75; Other Sources, \$114.65. S. S. Offertories, \$28.64. Total, \$577.34.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$8.62; Epls. Clerical Fund, \$2.62 = \$11.24.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$24; Dom. Mis., \$2.85; Home Mis. to Colored People, \$3.65; For. Mis., \$3.75 = \$34.25.

Total of Contributions, \$622.83.

TRINITY CHURCH, LENOX.

The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, *Rector*.CHARLES KNEELAND and EDMUND SPENSER, *Church Wardens*.

Com.: Rec., 4. Died, 1; Rem., 3 = 4. Pres. No., 40. Mar., 2. Bur., 3. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 4; Schol., 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$137.15; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$300; Pew Rents, \$1,300; Subscriptions, \$400; Investments, \$29.04 = \$2,029.04. Total, \$2,166.19.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$52.50; Soc. for Relief of W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$28; American Bible Soc., \$40 = \$120.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$30; For. Mis., \$12.50 = \$42.50.

Total of Contributions, \$2,329.19.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, LINCOLN.

The Rev. WILLIAM MANSFIELD GROTON, *Rector*.HOWARD SNELLING and GEORGE GILBERT CHENEY, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 2. Com., 52. Mar., 2. Bur., 1. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 5; Schol., 48. Ch.: Value, \$5,000; Sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$830.25; S. S., \$40.67 = \$870.92

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — \$9.75.

Total of Contributions, \$880.67.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LONGWOOD.

The Rev. REGINALD HEBER HOWE, *Rector*.

Baptized: Inf., 4. Com.: Rec., 4; Rem., 3; Pres., No., 110. Mar., 4. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 14. Ch.: Value, \$60,000; Sittings, 350. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$65,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$186.19; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Collections in Church, \$462.54; Pew Rents, \$2,337.51; Subscriptions, \$2,500; Donations, \$173.06; Investments, Dividends received, \$192; Other Sources, S. S., \$65.17 = \$5,730.28. S. S., \$50; Sewing Soc., \$31.24. Total, \$5,997.71.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$204.04; Conv. Fund, \$30; Soc. for Relief of W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$50; Epis. Clerical

Fund, \$110.93; Ch. Home, \$51.01; St. Luke's Home, \$93; Sisters of St. Luke, Haverhill, \$100; Am. Bible Soc., \$159.67 = \$798.65.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$225.17; Dom. Mis., \$354; Ind. Com., \$60; For. Mis., \$257.55; Woman's Auxilliary, \$51.80 = \$948.52.

Total of Contributions, \$7,744.88.

REMARKS.

The Rev. F. L. Norton resigned the charge of this Parish Oct. 1, 1876. The present Rector began his labors Quinquagesima Sunday, Feb 11, 1877. Owing to this interval, the above Report is somewhat imperfect.

The visitation of the Bishop for administering Confirmation was necessarily postponed, and falls just outside the Conventional year.

The offerings reported are those taken from Easter to Easter.

HOUSE OF PRAYER, LOWELL.

The Rev. B. F. COOLEY, *Minister*.

Ch. and Land: Value, \$3,139.86; Sittings, 225; Organ and Furniture, \$1,150. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$4,289.86.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — All Current Ex.: Offertory, \$268.12; Donations, \$451.85; Alms Box, \$42.98; Other Parochial Objects, \$125 = \$887.95.

Total of Contributions, \$887.95.

REMARKS.

The corner-stone of the House of Prayer was laid by the Rev. Dr. Edson, Sept. 16, 1876, in the presence of a large assemblage. Several of the clergy, and the choirs of the House of Prayer, St. John's, Lowell, St. John's, Lawrence, and the Advent, Boston, were present and assisted in services. The Church was opened Dec. 29, and has been occupied since that time on Sundays and Holy Days, by devout congregations. An association of ladies has been formed from both Parishes in the city, for the purpose of paying for the building, and the land on which it stands, by instalments.

Especially are we indebted to the Rector of St. Anne's and his family for their help and encouragement, and to many of the parishioners who have aided the work. The font, pulpit, altar and its ornaments, Communion service, altar-cloths, and choir stalls have been given by friends in the two Parishes in Lowell, St. John's, Lawrence, St. Anne's, Chelmsford, the Advent and Emmanuel, Boston. The Church cost \$1,739.86; land, \$1,400; organ and furniture, \$1,150. Total valuation, \$4,289.86.

Of communicants or families, no definite statement can now be made. The future can be but hopeful, as the Church is situated one mile and one half distant from either of the Parish Churches, in a populous and rapidly growing part of the city.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D. D., *Rector*.JOHN ORNE GREEN and JOHN M. PEVEY, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 40; Ad., 11 = 51. Conf., 24. Com.: Added, 31. Lost, 25. Pres. No., 432. Mar., 34. Bur., 44. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 23; Schol., 200. Ch.: Value, \$15,000. Sittings, 800. Chapel: Value, \$8,000; Sittings, 250. School Building: Value, \$5,000. Parsonage: Value, \$13,300. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$41,300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$297.76. Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Pew Rents, \$3,900.55; Other Sources, \$520.21 = \$4,420.76. S. S., \$83.81; Parish Library, \$43.02; Home work in St. Anne's, \$15.25. Total, \$4,860.60.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, Interest, \$70; Conv. Fund, \$30; Soc. for Relief of W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$17.83; Christian or Theo. Education, Nashota, and Inc. of Mis., \$218.37; St. Mary's Orphanage, Lowell, \$82.28; Seamen, \$18.23; House of Prayer (West End Mis.), \$141.63; House of Prayer (Font for), \$50; Chelmsford Mis., \$87.73; Jews (through Soc.), \$12.45; Ch. in Sheffield, Mass., \$22.35; Ch. in Brockton, \$20.09; Ch. in Clinton, \$25.70 = \$796.36.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$141.54; Dom. Mis., \$279.44; Home Mis. to Colored People, \$21.68; Indian Com. (through D. L.), \$17.67; Bishop Garrett's work in Northern Texas, \$26.08; Bishop Neely's work in Maine, \$44.34; Mis. Bishop's Fund, \$24.86; For. Mis., \$68.78 = \$624.39.

Total of Contributions, \$6,281.35.

REMARKS.

On the 16th of September last was laid the corner-stone of the House of Prayer, so called, in the westerly part of our city; and on the 29th of December was opened for Divine worship a small, tasteful, convenient, inexpensive Chapel, wherein a service, chiefly choral, has been conducted by the Rev. Mr. Cooley, who has been very successful in selecting, training, and leading a choir mostly of boys. These services have been thus far well attended, and accompanied with good results.

We very much need the completion of the Chancel of St. Anne's, as commenced some time ago after the plan of Mr. Upjohn, and which the interests of the congregation, both direct and indirect, call urgently for.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER, *Rector*.HENRY P. WEBBER, SAMUEL J. GIBBY, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 22; Ad., 1 = 23. Conf., 12. Com.: Ad., 13; Rec., 6 = 19; Died, 3; Rem., 22 = 25; Pres. No., 264. Mar., 6. Bur., 19. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 23; Schol., 175. Ch.: Value, \$25,000; Sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$5,000; Sittings, 200. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms (not elsewhere reported), \$23.74; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$400.01; Pew Rents, \$1,414.31; Subscriptions, \$20 = \$1,834.32. S. S., \$55.43; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property (from S. S.), \$46.58; Easter Offering for the reduction of Ch. debt, \$260.80; For the Choir, \$46.90; Easter Flowers, \$15. Total, \$2 282.77.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund (Interest on note), \$35; Conv. Fund, \$22.50 = \$57.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$52; Mis. at Chelmsford, \$30; House of Prayer Mis., Lowell, \$16.86 = \$98.86. For Bishop Tuttle, from the S. S., \$40 = \$138.86.

Total of Contributions, \$2,479.13.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, LYNN.

The Rev. LOUIS DECORMIS, *Rector*.

WILLIAM F. JOHNSON and THOMAS B. KNIGHT, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 29; Ad., 16 = 45. Conf., 15. Com.: Ad., 15; Rec., 5 = 20. Rem., 2. Pres. No., 293. Mar., 5. Bur., 14. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 34; Schol., 221.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$324.97; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$2,808.22; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$1,025; Special Charities, etc. etc., \$598.50. Total, \$4,756.69.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epls. Fund, \$45; Conv. Fund, \$22.50; Christian or Theo. Education, \$78 = \$140.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$557.59; Home Mis. to Colored People, \$33.50; Mis. to Jews, \$6.50; For. Mis., \$40 = \$637.59.

Total of Contributions, \$5,534.78.

REMARKS.

A Chapel building adjoining the Church has been erected and paid for during the past year, — modest, but very convenient for parochial purposes.

Also some handsome memorial gifts have been received.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MALDEN, MASS.

The Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON, *Rector*.

JOSEPH EDWARD BURTT and WM. H. LEMON, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 14; Ad., 2 = 16. Conf., 4. Com.: Ad., 12; Rec., 6 = 18. Died, 4; Rem., 18 = 22. Pres. No., 143. Mar., 2. Bur., 14. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 11; Schol., 100. Ch.: Value, \$13,000; Sitzings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$3.53; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$1,407.89. S. S. (by its own Offerings), \$22.69; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, by S. S. towards organ, \$17.52; Christmas and Easter Festivals, \$76.20. Total, \$1,527.83.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epls. Fund (increase on Parish note), \$21; Conv. Fund, \$11; Promotion of Christianity among the Jews, \$2.48; Sinking Fund for Parish note to Epls. Fund, \$21 = \$55.48.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$21; Indian Com., \$3; For. Mis., \$8.90 = \$32.90.

• Total of Contributions, \$1,616.21.

REMARKS.

Fund for an organ increased to about \$375.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, MARBLEHEAD.

The Rev. JULIUS H. WARD, *Rector*.

EZEKIEL RUSSELL and ANDREW BUCHANAN, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 13. Conf., 2. Com: Ad., 3; Rem., 1; Pres. No., 99. Mar., 3. Bur., 5. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 15; Schol., 112. Ch.: Value, \$5,000; Sittings, 450. Chapel: Value, \$500; Sittings, 75. Parsonage, Value, \$8,000. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$13,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$94.66; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$1,219.50; Subscriptions, \$416; Investments, \$160; Other Sources, \$132 = \$1,927.50. S. S., \$30.09; Parish Library, \$3.65; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$416; Christmas and Easter Decorations, \$27; Musical Instruction, \$30. Total, \$2,018.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epls. Clerical Fund, \$6.58; N. Y. Bible and P. B. Soc., \$7.72; Ch. Mis. to Deaf Mutes, \$5 74; Marblehead Reform Club, \$4.11; Mis. in Maine, \$15 = \$39.15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$13.88; Dom. Mis., \$9; For. Mis., \$13.24 = \$36.12.

Total of Contributions, \$2,093.51.

MARLBOROUGH.

The Rev. FRANKLIN L. BUSH, *Missionary*.

Baptized: Inf., 2; Ad., 2 = 4. Conf. 1. Com: Rec., 1; Ad., 4; Pres. No., 23. Bur., 2. S. S.: Teach., 4; Schol., 12.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

WITHIN MISSION. — Alms for the Poor, \$10 35; Current Ex., \$143.54 = \$153.89.

WITHOUT MISSION. — Epls. Clerical Fund, \$9.34; Dio. B. of Mis., \$23.99; Dom. Mis., \$3.67; Indian Com., \$3.21; For. Mis., \$6 37; Board of Mis. (4th of July Offering), \$7.10; Box for Dakota League, value, \$18 = \$71 68.

Total of Contributions, \$225.57.

REMARKS.

Services have been held here regularly on the second and fourth Sundays of each month, and on week-days.

GRACE CHURCH, MEDFORD.

The Rev. CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Rector*.CHARLES B. CROCKETT and BENJ. P. HOLLIS, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 5; Ad., 5 = 10. Conf., 5. Com.: Ad., 5. Pres. No., 120. Mar., 6. Bur., 7. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 10; Schol., 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$139.37; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$3,097.77; S. S.: about \$50; Other Objects, \$150.62. Total, \$3,437.76.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Christian or Theo. Education, \$10.60.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$46; Dom. Mis., \$12.50; For. Mis., \$3 = \$61.50.

Total of Contributions, \$3,509.86.

TRINITY CHURCH, MELROSE.

The Rev HENRY AIKEN METCALF, *Rector*.WILLIAM L. WILLIAMS, ROYAL P. BARRY, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 6; Ad., 3 = 9. Conf., 3. Com.: Ad., 3; Rec., 10 = 13; Died, 1; Rem., 17 = 18; Pres. No., 92. Mar., 1. Bur., 6. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 6; Schol., 60. Ch.: Value, \$4,000; Sitzings, 250. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$1,028.34. S. S., \$19.22; Relief of Poor, \$46.17; Christmas Festival, \$65; Oxford Folio Bible, \$45; Amount from ladies' Easter sale, \$300. Total, \$1,503.73.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$15; For the Sisters of St. Luke, Haverhill, \$8 = \$23.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$17.50; Indian Com., Dak. Lea., Box \$20 = \$37.50.

Total of Contributions, \$1,564.23.

TRINITY CHURCH, MILFORD.

The Rev. GEO. R. WHEELOCK, *Rector*.

Baptized: Ad., 1. Conf., 2. Com.: Ad., 2; Rec., 2 = 4. Died, 1. Pres. No., 78. Mar., 3. Bur., 6. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 7; Schol., 46. Ch.: Value, \$9,000; Sitzings, 256.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$50.90; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$45; Collections in Ch., \$49.07; Pew Rents, \$485.87; Subscriptions, \$393.21 = \$973.15. S. S.: Contributions, \$24. Total, \$1,047.05.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH — Conv. Fund, \$12; Milford Bible Soc., \$10 = \$22.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$25.71.

Total of Contributions, \$1,094.76.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Wm. F. Lhoyd resigned the charge of this Parish April 1, 1877, and the Rev. Geo. R. Wheelock was elected Rector, and entered upon his duties April 13, 1877.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, MILLVILLE.

The Rev. JOHN DOUGLAS MCCONKEY, *Minister.*

HENRY STEPHEN MANSFIELD and WILLIAM ARNOLD COLB, *Church Wardens.*

Baptized: Inf., 3; Ad., 2 = 5. Com.: Ad., 3; Rec., 1 = 4. Rem., 4. Pres. No., 64. Mar., 1. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 8; Schol., 38. Ch.: Value, \$5,000. Sittings for one half year, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$7,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$14.22. Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Pew Rents, \$103.62; Other Sources, \$189.56 = \$243.18. Total, \$257.40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$10.

Total of Contributions, \$267.40.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NANTUCKET.

The Rev. LEVI BOYER, *Rector.*

ARTEMUS DAVIS and CHARLES H. STARBUCK, *Church Wardens.*

Baptized: Inf., 1. Com.: Pres. No., 32. Bur., 5. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 6; Schol., 40. Ch.: Value, \$1,500; Sittings, 230. Parsonage: Value, \$800. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$2,300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$12.03; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Collections in Ch., \$150; Donations, \$250; Other Sources, \$400 = \$800. S. S., \$12; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$150. Total, \$974.03.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$17.21.

Total of Contributions, \$991.04.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NATICK.

The Rev. BENJAMIN R. GIFFORD, *Rector.*

HORACE T. HILDRETH and JAMES EVANS, *Church Wardens.*

Baptized: Inf., 8; Ad., 3 = 11. Conf., 3. Com.: Ad., 3; Rec., 4 = 7; Rem., 2; Pres. No., 40. Mar., 1. Bur., 7. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 4;

Schol., 32. Ch.: Value, \$8,000; Sittings, 250. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$9,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Rector's Sal., \$350. S. S., \$25; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$25; Interest on debt, \$210; Music, \$50; Fuel and Oil, \$35; Payment of old construction bills, \$75. Total, \$770.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$10.

Total of Contributions, \$780.

REMARKS.

The services commenced in Wellesley the previous year were suspended for several months, but resumed in the winter. The attendance has been encouraging. When held before, they were in the evening, on every other Sunday; they are now held every Sunday at 2 45 P. M., the second service at Natick being at 6 P. M.

GRACE CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.

The Rev. EDMUND ROWLAND, *Rector*.

Baptized: Inf., 20; Ad., 5 = 25. Conf., 18. Com.: Ad., 16, Rec., 3 = 19; Died, 3; Rem., 22 = 25; Pres. No., 233. Mar., 6. Bur., 12. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 13; Schol., 125.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms given to the Poor, \$95; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., about \$3,000; S. S., \$109; Interest of Johnson Fund for the Poor, \$126.56; Church Building Fund, \$300; Contribution of S. S. for Bell, \$23. Total, \$3,633.56.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Episc. Fund, \$80; Conv. Fund, \$30 = \$110.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$52.59; Dom. Mis., \$80; Ind. Com., \$25; Box for Ind. Com., \$25; For. Mis., \$50.80 = \$233.39.

Total of Contributions, \$4,026.95.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEWBURYPORT.

The Rev. EDWARD LIVINGSTON DROWN, *Rector*.

NATHANIEL FOSTER and DAVID WOOD, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 11; Ad., 14 = 25. Conf., 42. Com.: Ad. and Rec. = 53; Died and Rem., 11; Pres. No., 296. Mar., 3. Bur., 25. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 20; Schol., 114. Ch.: Sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$12,000; Sittings, 250. There is a fund of \$10,000, for the support of the Rector. The Church, consecrated in the year 1800, and the very large lot on which it is situated being the ancient burial-place of this Parish, the value cannot be estimated like other property.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$243.79; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$3,069.48; S. S., \$92.80; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$108; From Investments, for Special Charities, \$101.14; Christmas and Easter Decorations, \$58.01; Special Offerings, \$177. Total, \$3,850.22.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$20; New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Soc., \$44; Howard Benevolent Soc., \$20.88 = \$84.88.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$65; Special Offerings for Dio. Mis., \$65 = \$130; Dom. Mis., \$50; Indian Com., Scholarship, in Santee Mis. by Ladies of Dak. Lea., \$129.90; By S. S. for Utah, \$30.74 = \$210.64; For. Mis., \$63.16 = \$403.80.

Total of Contributions, \$4,888.90.

REMARKS.

A mission has been started in the eastern part of the city, with very encouraging prospects, and many earnest helpers, both men and women, are engaged in the work. A society has been established in the Parish, whose object is to bring the men of the congregation together for mutual improvement, and by associated effort to advance the interests of the Church; it is known as "The Bishop Bass Society," in honor of the first Bishop of Massachusetts, for many years the Rector of St. Paul's Church. Our most pressing need, as a Parish, is additional Church accommodations. Every sitting is rented and the demand is greater than the supply. The number of public services, for the Parochial year, has been one hundred and forty-one, and the celebrations of Holy Communion, twenty-five.

GRACE CHURCH, NEWTON.

The Rev. GEORGE WOLFE SHINN, *Rector*.

EDWIN F. WATERS and ADIN B. UNDERWOOD, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 23; Ad., 7 = 30. Conf., 16. Com.: Pres. No., about 200. Mar., 6. Bur., 14. S. S.: Off. and Teach. and Schol., 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms and other gifts for the Poor, \$325; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., interest on debt, etc., \$9,236.97; S. S., \$230. Total, \$9,791.97.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$52.50; Conv. Fund, \$37.50; Soc. for the Relief of W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$5; Epis. Clerical Fund, \$5; Ch. Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, \$5; St. Luke's Home, \$10; Christian or Theo. Education, \$32; Other Objects without the Parish, \$35 = \$182.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — In money and goods, \$125.

Total of Contributions, \$10,098.97.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WEST NEWTON.

The Rev. FRANCIS WYMAN SMITH, *Missionary*.

F. G. L. HENDERSON and ALBERT E. SWASEY, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 2; Ad., 7 = 9. Conf., 4. Com.: Ad., 4; Rec., 2 = 6; Rem., 3; Pres. No., 41. Mar., 1. Bur., 3. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 3; Schol., 15.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Weekly Offertory, including Alms at H. Com., \$588.33; Current Ex.: Subscriptions, \$60; Donations, \$5; Other Sources (\$600 outside of Parish), \$765.18. Total, \$1,418.46.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$9.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$20; Dom. Mis., \$3 = \$23.

Total of Contributions, \$1,450.46.

REMARKS.

At the last Easter (Parish) meeting, the Vestry were authorized to negotiate for a lot, satisfactory to a large majority of the Parish, and to proceed to build a Church thereon as soon as possible. Auburndale is comprised in this Parish, and the interest there has lately very largely increased.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, NEWTON LOWER FALLS.

The Rev. HENRY MACKAY, *Rector.*

ISAAC HAGER and RUFUS MOULTON, *Church Wardens.*

Baptized: Inf., 5. Conf., 5. Com.: Ad., 4; Rec., 5 = 9. Died 2; Rem., 8 = 10. Pres. No., 141. Mar., 8. Bur., 5. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 12; Schol., 100. Ch.: Value, \$7,000; Sittings, 400. Chapel: Value, \$8,000; Sittings, 250. Total valuation of Ch. Property, \$15,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$50; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$1,780.25; S. S., \$85.57; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$388.18; Other Parochial Objects, \$239. Total, \$2,493.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epls. Fund, \$105; Conv. Fund, \$45; St. Mark's School, Utah, \$40; 1 Box to a Mis. in the South, value, \$31.38; Ladies' Aux. Soc. for Mis., Boston, \$20 = \$241.38.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dom. Mis., \$20; Indian Com., for Bishop Whipple, \$31; For. Mis., China, \$40 = \$91.

Total of Contributions, \$2,825.38.

REMARKS.

This portion of the city has but very few advantages for building purposes, to induce strangers to settle permanently in it. It depends on a few small manufactories for support, which are subject to the depressions and fluctuations of business. It has not added to its population of forty years ago, and the growth of the Parish must be influenced by the population. St. Mary's has done a great and good work, but with more desirable and better sites all around it, and with a more permanent people in them, the future of the Parish can hardly be expected to maintain the prosperity of its past history. During the past year the people did well. The numerous Lenten services were well attended, and the signs of good-will and earnestness in the work were both many and encouraging. The people are united and the Church has no debt.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH ADAMS.

The Rev. THOMAS BURGESS, *Rector*.CHARLES H. READ and ANSON D. MINER, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 2. Conf., 8. Com.: Ad., 8; Rec., 8 = 11. Died, 1; Rem., 1 = 2. Pres. No., 110. Mar., 4. Bur., 7. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 13; Schol., 75. Ch.; Value, \$20,000; Sitzings, 340.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$66; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Pew Rents, \$714.91; Subscriptions, \$300; Donations, \$150; Other Sources, \$89.33; S. S., \$75. Total, \$1,395.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$15; Soc. for the Inc. of the Ministry, \$13 = \$28.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$34.

Total of Contributions, \$1,457.24.

GRACE CHURCH, NORTH ATTLEBORO'.

The Rev. FREDERIC AUGUSTUS FISKE, *Rector*.OTIS STANLEY and ABEL R. BLOCK, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 8; Ad., 2 = 10. Conf., 2. Com.: Died, 1. Pres. No., 30. Mar., 2. Bur., 5. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 8; Schol., 65. Ch.: Value of Ch. and Land, \$15,000; Sitzings, 234. Parsonage: Value, \$3,500. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$18,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$3.16; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Pew Rents, \$328.25; Subscriptions, \$116.79; Other Sources, \$484.20. Total, \$1,429.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$21; Conv. Fund, \$5.25; Woman's Aux. For Mis., \$1.30 = \$30.55.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$13.60; Reported to me as having been forwarded the first half of the year before my rectorship began, by Rev Jno. S. Beers, \$25; Indian Com., box of clothing, valued at \$10 = \$48.60.

Total of Contributions, \$1,508.29.

REMARKS.

The report here given is necessarily more or less imperfect, because of my short acquaintance with the Parish, my rectorship having commenced Oct. 1, 1876. The people seem united, earnest, and hopeful, and willing to labor and contribute according to their ability for the good of the Church.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTHAMPTON.

The Rev. JAMES STURGIS PEARCE, *Rector*.W. C. ROBINSON and D. W. CRAFTS, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 4. Conf., 10. Com.: Ad., 10; Pres. No., about 90.
 Mar., 7. Bur., 4. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 11; Schol., 50. Ch.: Sittings,
 250. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$18.49; Current Ex., including Rec-
 tor's Sal., \$1,805.63. Total, \$1,824.12.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Am. Bible Soc., \$9.30; For Yellow Fever
 Sufferers, South Carolina, \$16.25; Soc. Inc. of Ministry, \$17.01 = \$42.56.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$23.85; Dom. Mis., \$16
 = \$39.85.

Total of Contributions, \$1,906.53.

THE CHAPEL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, OAKDALE, DEDHAM,
IN THE PARISH OF ST. PAUL'S, DEDHAM.The Rev. WILLIAM FRANKLIN CHENEY, *Assistant*.

Baptized: Inf., 12; Ad., 4 = 16. Conf., 14. Bur., 2. S. S.: Off. and
 Teach., 12; Schol., 127. Chapel: Value, \$8,000; Sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex.: Collections in Church, \$232.61;
 Pew Rents, \$128; Donations, \$500 = \$860.61. S. S., \$130.05; Inc. and
 Imp. of Ch. Property, \$10,800. Total, \$11,790.66.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dom. Mis., \$30.62; Indian Com. Contri-
 butions, \$10; One package of clothing, valued at \$12 = \$52.62. For.
 Mis., \$17.43 = \$70.05.

Total of Contributions, \$11,860.71.

REMARKS.

The above Report is for that part of the year between Sept. 1, 1876, and
 May 1, 1877 only.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, OTIS.

[No Report.]

ST. PAUL'S MISSION, PEABODY.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary*.EDGAR W. UPTON, *Warden*; WM. ROOME, *Treasurer*; DANIEL P.GROSVENOR, Jr, *Clerk*.

Baptized: Inf., 12; Ad., 1 = 13. Conf., 5. Com.: Ad., 5; Rec., 1 = 6.
 Died, 1; Rem., 2 = 3; Pres. No., 36. Mar., 2. Bur., 6. S. S.: Off. and

Teach., 6; Schol., 85. Ch.: Value, \$1,500; Sittings, 160; Land, \$2,020. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$3,520.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH.—Current Ex.: Offertory, \$408 20; Donations, \$100; S. S., \$10; Sale, \$150; Inc. and Imp. of Ch Property, \$30 = \$698 20.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Dio B. of Mis., \$11; Indian Com, Box valued at \$3.62 = \$14.62.

Total of Contributions, \$712.82.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, PITTSFIELD.

[No Report.]

CHRIST CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

[No Report.]

CHRIST CHURCH, QUINCY.

WILLIAM L. WAINWRIGHT and WILLIAM GREENOUGH, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 12; Ad., 8 = 15. Com.: Ad., 6; Died, 6; Pres. No., 178. Mar., 9. Bur., 11. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 9; Schol., 120. Ch.: Value, \$25,000; Sittings, 800. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH.—Current Ex., \$2,964.87. S. S., \$23.99; Parish Library, \$15.61; Christmas Ex., \$42.80; Ladies' Sewing Soc., \$40; Weekly Pledges for Rectory Debt, \$481.63; S. S. Offerings, \$20.41 = \$3,589.31.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH.—Conv. Fund, \$18; Epis. Clerical Fund, \$18.24; Soc. for Inc. of Ministry, \$14.12 = \$50.36.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Dio B. of Mis., \$35.71; Dom. Mis., \$51.82; Home Mis. to Colored People, \$12.75; Ind. Com., \$7.83; Work in Mexico, \$15.10; Box for Ind. Mis., \$55; For. Mis., \$22.03 = \$200.24.

Total of Contributions, \$3,839 91.

REMARKS.

Christ Church, Quincy, has been without a Rector since the resignation of the Rev. Reginald H. Howe, which took effect Feb. 11 of the present year. Since, we have secured temporary supplies and expect to continue to do so for a few months, after which time we hope again to secure a new Rector. It was with regret that Mr. Howe went from us, as the Parish was most warmly attached to him, and perfect harmony existed among the people.

CHRIST CHURCH, ROCHDALE.

The Rev. SAMUEL REED BAILEY, *Rector*.

DUTY SALSBURY and TALMAN TRASK, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 6. Com.: Died, 1; Pres. No., 63. Bur., 2. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 7; Schol., 50. Ch.: Value, \$3,000; Sittings, 225.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex. including Rector's Sal.: Collections in Ch., \$122.81; Pew Rents, \$337.75; Subscriptions, \$100; Donations, \$70; Other Sources, \$374.01 = \$1,004.67. S. S., \$7. Total \$1,011.67.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$10.

Total of Contributions, \$1,021.67.

REMARKS.

There has been a slight improvement in the business prospects of the Parish. Cherry Valley is somewhat recovered from the results of the disaster which overtook it a year ago, though still feeling its effects severely.

There is a fair prospect of the erection of a small chapel at Cherry Valley, though it is not as yet entirely certain.

Other matters pertaining to Parish interests remain about as heretofore.

GRACE CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, *Rector*.

BENJAMIN SHREVE and DANIEL B. HAGAR, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 11; Ad., 1 = 12. Conf., 6. Com.: Ad., 6; Died, 3; Rem., 1 = 4; Pres. No., 171. Mar., 5. Bur., 4. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 14; Schol., 90. Ch.: Sittings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$191.90; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$3,000; S. S., \$35; Festivals, \$120; Subscriptions, \$175. Total, \$3,521.90.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$52.50; Conv. Fund, \$21; Salem Relief Com., \$40 = \$113.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$55; Dom. Mis., \$65; Conversion of the Jews, \$8.50; For. Mis., \$65 = \$193.50.

Total of Contributions, \$3,828.90.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D. D., *Rector*.

CHARLES H. BATES and JOHN P. PEABODY, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 16; Ad., 10 = 26. Conf. 24. Com.: Ad., 18; Died, 1; Pres. No., 246. Mar., 7. Bur., 15. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 28; Schol., 160. Ch.: Value, \$40,000; Sittings, 1,000. Chapel: Value, \$10,000; Sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, aid to Parish poor, \$422.28; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.; Pew Rents, \$3,600; Subscriptions, \$940; S. S., \$62.50; Rectory Fund, \$738.70; Support of O. Child, \$153.20; Christmas Festival of S. S., \$107.50; 4th of July Celebration of S. S., \$70. Total, \$6,094.18.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH.—Epls. Fund, \$70

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Dio. B. of Mis., \$60; Relief of City Poor, \$50; Dom. Mis., \$60; Home Mis. to Colored People, \$34.35; Indian Com., Dakota League, \$65.06; Mis. to Deaf Mutes, \$10.51; Mis. of Rev. G. Owen Dorsey, \$124; Theo. Schol. at Faribault, \$77.18; Soc. for Inc. of the Ministry, \$56.50; For. Mis., \$31.45 = \$569 05.

Total of Contributions, \$6,733.23.

REMARKS.

In addition to the foregoing offerings, pledges were received on Easter Day to the Rectory Fund, \$4,855, and since Easter, \$600 more.

CHRIST CHURCH, SHEFFIELD.

The Rev. SAMUEL P. PARKER, D. D., *Rector.*

J. G. BARNARD and JOHN RYAN LEBARNES, *Church Wardens.*

Baptized: Ad., 1. Conf., 4. Com.: Ad., 4; Rec., 5 = 9; Rem., 4; Pres. No., 40. Mar., 1. Bur., 1. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 4; Schol., 24. Ch.: Value, \$3,000; Sittings, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH.—Alms, \$98.02; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$66; Subscriptions, \$200; Donations, \$70; Investments, \$106; Other Sources, Weekly Pledges, \$150; S. S.: Christmas Tree, \$121 60; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$20 = \$731 62.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH.—Epls. Fund, \$11.68; Conv. Fund, \$2.50; For the Poor, \$18 = \$32.18.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Dio. B. of Mis., \$66.06; Dom. Mis., \$6; For. Mis., \$5 = \$77.06.

Total of Contributions, \$840.86.

REMARKS.

The statistics of this Church fail to convey the true promise of its success, the devotedness of its members, and the remarkable warmth of the church services. I deem them an example worthy of imitation. Sheffield has been peculiarly afflicted by the pecuniary embarrassments of the times. The greater portion of the failures in business in this town have fallen upon the members of this congregation; yet the Parish, at no time, has been so courageous as now. The Church is out of debt. The pledges at the Weekly Offertory for the support of the Church are eminently successful. This Parish, though small, is a seed-bed, full of life and promise.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN, *late Rector.*

REUBEN P. BENTON and SAMUEL REYNOLDS, Jr., *Church Wardens.*

Baptized: Inf., 6. Conf., 1. Com.: Rem., 7; Pres. No., 65. Bur., 1. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 13; Schol., 100. Ch.: Value, \$15,000; Sittings, 500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$404.52; Subscriptions, \$913.58; Donations, \$107; Other Sources, \$24.83. Total, \$1,449.93.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B of Mis., \$4.40.

Total of Contributions, \$1,454.33.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, EAST SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DURELL, *Rector*.

ALEXANDER WOOD and DOUGLAS FRAZAR, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 35; Ad., 5 = 40. Conf., 13. Com.: Ad., 10; Rec., 12 = 22. Died, 6; Rem., 16 = 22. Pres. No., 171. Mar., 9. Bur., 19. S. S.: Off and Teach., 27; Schol., 178.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Collections in Ch., \$634.40; Other Sources, \$581.25 = \$1,215.65.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Episc. Fund, \$21; Conv. Fund, \$12; Other Objects without the Parish, \$23 = \$56.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$20.

Total of Contributions, \$1,291.65.

The number of families connected with the Parish, 169; the number of individuals connected with the Parish, 620.

REMARKS.

In common with others we have felt the manifold evils that come from the long continued depression in business. Removals are sadly frequent, but the loss is balanced by accessions from abroad and by valuable additions to our number from those of other religious bodies around us. The growth of the Parish in many elements of real strength is very marked and cheering. The people willingly offer themselves for every labor and service. Improvements have been made upon the Church, by painting it twice, and by erecting in front of it a substantial fence, and laying an excellent sidewalk of brick.

We are under great obligations to Edward A. Kelley, M. A., for his most acceptable assistance as Lay Reader, Clerk, Sunday School Superintendent, and Chorister.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTH ADAMS.

The Rev. ALBIN BARLOW JENNINGS, *Officiating Clergyman*.

JOHN S. ADAMS and JAMES OSBORNE, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 6. Com.: Pres. No., 50. Mar., 2. Bur., 1. S. S.: Off and Teach., 8; Schol., 50.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$49.74; Current Ex., \$1,298; S. S., \$112.98. Total, \$1,455.72.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$11.37; Dom. Mis., \$5; Home Mis., to Colored People, \$5 = \$21.37.

Total of Contributions, \$1,477.09.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTHBOROUGH.

The Rev. J. I. T. COOLIDGE, D. D., *Rector.*

JOSEPH BURNETT and L. W. NEWTON, *Church Wardens.*

Baptized: Inf., 2; Ad., 1 = 3. Conf., 6. Com: Ad., 6; Rem., 17. Pres. No., 31. Bur., 2. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 4; Schol., 25. Ch.: Value, \$10,000;ittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$16.69; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$1,100. Total, \$1,116.69.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Soc. for Relief of W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$15 = \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS — Dio. B. of Mis., \$142.78; Dom. Mis., \$39.95; Home Mis., to Colored People, \$9.98; Indian Com., Scholarship, S. S., \$45.44; Indian Com., \$10; For. Mis., \$19.97 = \$268 12.

Total of Contributions, \$1,399.81.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, SOUTH GROVELAND.

The Rev. ITHAMAR W. BEARD, *late Rector.*

Pulpit supplied by the Rev. SAMUEL M. EMERY, D. D., until April 22, 1877.

CHARLES A. SHAW and WILLIAM H. PARKER, *Church Wardens.*

Baptized: Inf., 5; Ad., 2 = 7. Conf., 11. Com.: Died, 3; Rem., 4 = 7; Pres. No., 45. Mar. 1. Bur., 3. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 18; Schol., 132. Ch.: Value, \$1,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex.: Offertory, \$51.46; Pew Rents, \$840; Other Sources, \$500 = \$1,391.46. S. S., \$49.50. Total, \$1,440.96.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$25.

Total of Contributions, \$1,465.96.

REMARKS.

Rev. Ithamar Beard resigned and left the Parish Oct. 29, 1876. Pulpit supplied most of the time from that date until April 22, 1877, by Rev. Samuel M. Emery, D. D. Rev. William Lloyd Himes was called to the Rectorship April 25, 1877, and is expected to take charge of the Parish from May 1.

CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD.

The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, S. T. D., *Rector*.

The Rev. ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON, S. T. B., *Assistant Priest*.

JOHN BLISS STEBBINS and JAMES DWIGHT BREWER, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 31; Ad., 18 = 49. Conf., 51. Com.: Ad., 53; Rec., 33 = 86; Died, 22; Rem., 47 = 69; Pres. No., 419. Mar., 9. Bur., 40. S. S., 4; Off. and Teach., 41; Schol., 400. Sewing Schs., 2; Teach., 10; Schol., 105. Ch. Lot. \$45,000; Value, \$70,000; Sittings, 1,000. Rectory: Value, \$10,000. Old Ch. Lot and Rectory, \$40,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$279.11; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$3,800; Pew Rents, \$5,600; Donations for poor, \$337 = \$9,737. S. S., Easter, and other Offerings, \$925; Easter from the Congregation, \$252; Parochial Mis., \$117; Sal. of Assistant Priest, \$900; Christ Ch., Guild, \$350. Total, \$12,560.11.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epls. Fund, \$105; Conv. Fund, \$60; Soc. for the Relief of W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$26.35; Christian or Theo. Education, \$196; For other Objects without the Parish, \$384 = \$771.35.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$165; Dom. Mis., \$116.73; Home Mis. to Colored People, \$12; Indian Com., Dakotah League, \$11; For. Mis., \$56.83 = \$361.56.

Total of Contributions, \$13,693.02.

REMARKS.

The first service in the new Christ Church, of which some description was given in the report of last year, was holden on the fifth Sunday after Easter, 1876. A united, happy, and grateful Parish have since enjoyed a beautiful, stately, and well-furnished house of worship. They hope that the time is not far away when, all debts removed, it will be in the fullest sense the House of the Lord. Subscriptions toward its erection are not included in the offerings reported. The tower will be completed before autumn.

Missions within the city limits and at West Springfield have been continued and sustained as heretofore.

The Rev. John L. Egbert, Assistant Priest, has been succeeded by the Rev. Alfred Evan Johnson, late of the Diocese of New York. The labors of both have been earnest and wise, and chiefly within the Church of the Good Shepherd, West Springfield.

Our Lord make both people and Priests to seek success through self-denial and faith!

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, STOCKBRIDGE.

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, *Rector*.

The Rev. SILAS M. ROGERS, *Assistant*.

DANIEL B. FENN, Jr., and MASON VAN DEUSEN, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 10; Ad., 10 = 20. Conf., 23. Com.: Ad., 23; Pres. No., 130. Mar., 3. Bur., 10. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 16; Schol., 108. Ch.: Value, \$6,000; Sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, excluding objects specially designated, \$150.44; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$2,288.66; Parochial Mis., Assistant's Sal. at South Lee, \$895.80; Parochial Sch. Library at Mis., \$30; For the Poor, \$46.58; Sundries, \$15 = \$3,426.48.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund (Interest on note), \$14; Conv. Fund, \$22.50; Epis. Clerical Fund, \$55.44 = \$91.94.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dom. Mis., \$252.54; Home Mis. to Colored People, \$64.24; Indian Com., \$60; Dak. Lea., \$171.97 = \$231.97; For. Mis, \$91.42 = \$640.17. •

Total of Contributions, \$4,158.59.

REMARKS.

The accompanying Report includes the work done at the South Lee Mission, which continues under the care of the Rev. S. M. Rogers. The work steadily grows throughout the Parish. Two valuable missionary boxes have been sent out this year, one to Colorado and another to an Indian Mission. A young men's Guild has been organized within the past year.

CHRIST CHURCH, SWANSEA.

The Rev. NATHAN W. MUNROE, *late Rector.*

Com. : Pres. No., 12. Mar., 3. Bur., 1. S. S. : Off. and Teach., 4; Schol. enrolled, 30. Ch. : Value, \$5,000; Sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., including Rector's Sal. : Offertory, \$15; Collections in Ch., \$60; Subscriptions, \$10; Donations, \$15 = \$100. S. S., \$35. Total, \$135.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$20.

Total of Contributions, \$155.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

WILLIAM H. PLEADWELL and JOHN RADLEY, *Church Wardens.*

Baptized : Inf., 8. Com. : Ad., 39; Rec., 3 = 42. Died, 5; Rem., 6 = 11. Pres. No., 92. Mar., 5. Bur., 9. S. S. : Off. and Teach., 24; Schol., 160. Ch. : Value, \$24,000; Sittings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$49.15; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal. : Offertory, \$122.31; Collections in Ch., Free Ch. system, \$377.87; Pew Rents, \$721.83; Subscriptions, \$15; Donations, Ladies' Parochial Aid Soc., \$245.83; Investments, \$14.68; Other Sources, \$89.25 = \$1,586.77. Total \$1,635.92.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$7.28.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$7.73.

Total of Contributions, \$1,650.93.

REMARKS.

The Church is without a Rector, Rev. Edward Hyde True having resigned Feb. 19, 1877.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEAROLD, *Rector*.

Baptized: Inf., 29; Ad., 10 = 39. Conf., 28. Com.: Ad., 28; Rec., 10 = 38. Died, 7; Rem., 6 = 13. Pres. No., 292. Mar., 1. Bur., 18. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 32; Schol., 271.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$276.71; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$4,714 14; S. S., \$50.22; Parish Library, \$23.85; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$1,092; For the Poor, \$187.68; Robing Room, \$10; Offerings of S. S., \$216.25 = \$6,570.85.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$56; Conv. Fund, \$37.50; Soc. for Relief of W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$61.92; Epis. Clerical Fund, \$50; Epis. Ch. Ass., \$75; Christian of Theo. Education, \$28.50; For Bishop Vall, \$31 42; For Bishop Tuttle, by S. S., \$40; For Bishop Vall, by S. S., \$25; Aid of other Parishes, \$325; Box for Nashotah, \$100 = \$830.84.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS — Dio. B. of Mis., \$80.89; Dom. Mis., \$109.72; Home Mis. to Colored People, \$116.90; Indian Com., \$116.90; For. Mis., \$77.58 = \$501.94.

Total of Contributions, \$7,903.13.

TRINITY CHURCH, VAN DEUSENVILLE.

GARRET BURGET and CHARLES MILTON BALL, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 1; Ad., 2 = 3. Conf., 3. Com.: Ad., 3; Rec., 2 = 5; Rem., 5; Pres. No., 40. Bur., 3. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 3; Schol., 25. Ch.: Value, \$14,000; Sitings, 260. Parsonage: Value, \$1,500. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$15,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$83.15; Current Ex.: Collections in Ch., \$84.09; Subscriptions, \$254 = \$421.24. S. S., Christmas tree, \$24; Ladies' Benevolent Soc., \$60. Total, \$505 24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$10.18; Conv. Fund, \$2.50 = \$12.68.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$61.61; Mite Chests, \$12; Dom. Mis., \$1.66; For. Mis., \$1.66 = \$76.93.

Total of Contributions, \$594.85.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, WAKEFIELD.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary*.

Baptized: Inf., 6. Conf., 3. Com.: Ad., 4; Rem., 2; Pres. No., 20. Mar., 2. Bur., 2. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 4; Schol., 15. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, furniture, \$150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex.: Offertory, \$450; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$20 = \$470.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$10; Indian Com., box of clothing, value, \$10 = \$20.

Total of Contributions, \$490.

CHRIST CHURCH, WALTHAM.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, *Rector*.

WILLIAM W. WILLS and GEO. E. OSGOOD, *Lay Readers*.

MOSES E. OSGOOD and OTIS E. HUNT, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 48; Ad., 8 = 56. Conf., 10. Com.: Ad., 10; Rec., 4 = 14. Died, 2; Rem., 6 = 8. Pres. No., 144. Mar., 6. Bur., 14. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 14; Schol., 144. Ch.: Value, \$9,000;ittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$3,200. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$16,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$118.84; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$2,051.64; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$3,342.75. Total, \$5,522.16.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epils. Fund, \$45; Conv. Fund, \$19.50; Soc. for Relief of W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$25 = \$89.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$55; Dom. Mis., \$20; Home Mis. to Colored People, \$6; Indian Com., \$12; For. Mis., \$46.33; Mexico, \$12 = \$151.33.

Total of Contributions, \$5,779.23.

REMARKS.

The Parish has made a special exertion during the past year, in the erection of a very tasteful and commodious chapel. Owing to the pressure of the times, it was undertaken with much solicitude, but it has long been so deeply needed that it was deemed advisable to make the effort. By the blessing of God upon the willing and liberal contributions of all the members of the Parish, and the untiring zeal of the ladies in their annual and Easter sales, we are happy to state that the entire cost of \$3,200 has been met, with the exception of an indebtedness of \$525, which we shall hope to raise during the coming year. These exertions, together with a gratifying increase in the attendance upon all services, and some measure of spiritual results from them, have all called out our sincere thankfulness, and given us encouraging hope for the future.

TRINITY CHURCH, WARE.

[No Report.]

CHURCH OF THE RECONCILIATION, WEBSTER.

The Rev. ROGER STRONG HOWARD, D. D., *Rector*.JAMES H. HOWE and SAMUEL SLATER, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 7; Ad., 8 = 10. Conf., 6. Com.: Ad., 6; Rec., 5 = 11. Died, 2; Rem., 3 = 5. Pres. No., 69. Mar., 4. Bur., 5. S. S.; Off. and Teach., 11; Schol., 102. Ch.: Value, \$12,000; Sitzings, 320.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$56.21; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Offertory, \$2,418.96; Donations, \$370 = \$2,788.96. S. S., \$140.43. Total, \$2,985.60.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epls. Fund (Interest on assessment of \$750), \$52.50; Conv. Fund, \$22.50; Offerings of S. S., \$54.17 = \$129.17.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$95.45; Dom. Mis., \$95.81; Indian Mis., \$30; For. Mis., \$6 = \$227.26.

Total of Contributions, \$3,342.03.

REMARKS.

The Sunday School has increased during the year, and is in a prosperous condition. The seats in the Church are entirely free, the expenses being provided for by voluntary offerings.

The admirable music, by a choir of men and boys, has added greatly to the interest of the Church services. These services have, in general, been well attended during the year.

A very beautiful silver communion service has been presented to the Church as an Easter offering.

CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT, WESTFIELD.

The Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, *Rector*.

Baptized: Inf., 2; Ad., 8 = 10. Conf., 10. Com.: Ad., 10; Rec., 10 = 20. Died, 1; Dropped from report, 1; Rem., 15; Pervert, 4 = 21. Pres. No., 71. Mar., 1. Bur., 4. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 6; Schol., 40 to 50. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, probably, at present price, would cost us \$400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Offertory, \$78.42 (including communion and S. S., offerings); Subscriptions, \$120.02; Other Sources, \$249.91. Total by the Parish, \$448.35, all of which has been paid toward the current expenses and liquidating old debt. Dio. B. of Mis., \$375; Donation by the Bishop, \$50. Total \$448.35.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$13.24.

Total of Contributions, \$461.59.

REMARKS.

A combination of circumstances rendered the past year one of the most trying of our Parish life; but by the blessing of God we have reduced our debt by about two thirds, and hold our list of communicants good.

The character of our congregation improves, our churchmanship is of a better type, and we hope for better things in coming time.

In God's name we have so far come, and in His blessed name we propose to work on, work ever, until we pass to glory.

TRINITY CHURCH, WEYMOUTH.

The Rev. SAMUEL RUGGLES SLACK, *Rector*.

EDWARD AVERY and WILLIAM SPRAGUE WALLACE, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 2; Ad., 1 = 3. Conf., 3. Com.: Ad., 3; Rec., 1 = 4; Died, 2; Rem., 8; Dropped, 3 = 8; Pres. No., 50. Mar., 1. Bur., 6. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 7; Schol., 55. Postulant for Holy Orders, 1. Ch.: Value, \$5,500; Sitzings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$60; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., \$532.30 = \$592.30. S. S., for books, \$63.08; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, by Ladies' Soc., \$18 45; Parish Guild, for publications, \$15; Ladies, completing Altar Cloth, \$10. Total, \$698.83.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$7.50; Christian or Theo. Education, Soc. for the Inc. of the Ministry, \$14; Relief of P. L. Parker, subscriptions, \$25; Dr. H. A. Reynolds, Temperance Reform, \$10 = \$56.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$13.56; For St. John's Ch., East Boston, \$5; Home Mis. to Colored People, for St. Mary's Ch., Washington City, \$11.22 = \$29.78.

Total of Contributions, \$785.11.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILKINSONVILLE.

The Rev. JAMES SAMUEL ELLIS, *Rector*.

HARVEY DODGE and JEPHTAH NEWTON, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 5; Ad., 5 = 10. Conf., 8. Com.: Ad., 8; Rec., 2 = 10. Rem. 2; Pres. No., 58. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 7; Schol., 56.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$26 87; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Collections in Ch., \$7.15; Pew Rents, \$375; Annual Fair, \$155 = \$537.15. S. S., \$29.23; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$2. Total, \$595 25.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$7.50; Soc. for Relief of W. and O. of Deceased Clergymen, \$35.50 = \$43.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$24.54; Dom. Mis., \$16; Indian Com., \$1.35; For a Mis. to the Jews, \$2; For. Mis., \$6.50 = \$50.39.

Total of Contributions, \$688.26.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILLIAMSTOWN.

The Rev. ALBIN BARLOW JENNINGS, *Missionary*.

Conf., 3. Com.: Pres. No., 44. Mar., 1. Chapel: Value, \$2,000; Sitzings, 175.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., \$250.

Total of Contributions, \$250.

TRINITY CHURCH, WOBURN.

JOSEPH MCCARTHY and JAMES FOLSOM, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 8. Com.: Ad., 2; Died, 3; Rem., 5 = 8; Pres. No., 36; Bur., 3. Ch.: Value, \$7,000; Sitings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$59.42; Current Ex.: Offertory, \$265.82; Subscriptions, \$311.50; Donations, \$239; Other Sources, \$309.45; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$355 = \$1,540.19.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$21; Conv. Fund, \$9 = \$30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$11; Mis., Centennial, \$11.66 = \$22.66.

Total of Contributions, \$1,592.85.

REMARKS.

The Parish at present is without a Rector. There is a universal disposition on the part of the worshippers to make the Parish more prosperous and with the pastoral care of a diligent shepherd, we have no doubt that the blessing of our Lord and Saviour will be so dispensed that the pasture will yield abundantly, and the flock will be much strengthened, and the fold increased to the glory of our Redeemer. The Parish has a small indebtedness, which measures have been taken to liquidate, and it will, with proper efforts, soon be liquidated.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WOOD'S HOLL.

The Rev. HIRAM CARLETON, *Rector*.

LEWIS SWIFT and JABEZ DAVIS, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 2; Ad., 2 = 4. Conf., 3. Com.: Ad., 3; Pres. No., 34; Mar., 1. Bur., 2. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 2; Schol., 14. Ch.: Value, \$4,000; Sitings, 250; Real Estate, \$2,000. Total Valuation of Ch. Property, \$6,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$152.84; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal., Offertory, \$310.84; Donations, \$800; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property,* \$1,395 = \$2,658.68.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$26.18; Dom. Mis. \$300; For. Mis., \$200 = \$526.18.

Total of Contributions, \$3,184.86.

REMARKS.

The Parish is generally prosperous. In respect to the Church it may be said, "Thy servants take pleasure in her stones and favor the dust thereof."

* A large part of the offerings appropriated also for this object.

Evidence of this may be seen in the liberal contributions for the improvement of Church property, which have been given without any solicitation.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. WILLIAM REED HUNTINGTON, D. D., *Rector*.

The Rev. ALEXANDER MACKAY SMITH, *Assistant*.

SUMNER PRATT and MELATIAH B. GREEN, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 55; Ad., 7 = 62. Conf., 13. Com.: Ad., 13; Rec., 4 = 17; Died, 1; Rem., 6 = 7; Pres. No., about 260. Mar., 20. Bur., 23. S. S.: Offl. and Teach., 35; Schol., 327. Ch.: Sittings, 850. Chapel: Sittings, 800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$188.38; Current Ex., including Rector's Sal.: Collections in Ch., \$328.16; Pew Rents, \$3,391.83; Donations, \$218.11 = \$3,932.60. S. S., Contributions of, \$150; Inc. and Imp. of Ch. Property, \$75,683.95; Prayer Books and Hymnals, \$31; Women's Work, among the poor and sick, \$403. Total, \$80,388.93.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Christian or Theo. Education, \$58.77; Worcester Orphan's Home, \$72 = \$130.77.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$43; Aid of other Parishes in the Dio., \$94 = \$137; Dom. Mis., \$100.35; Indian Com., \$37.18; Mis. to the Jews, \$20 = \$294.58.

Total of Contributions, \$80,814.23.

REMARKS.

The most noteworthy event in the history of the Parish during the year has been the consecration of the new Church, which took place on Thursday, January 4, the Bishop of the Diocese being the consecrator.

It is pleasant to be able to report that the building, in all respects, meets the best expectations of those who have labored together for its completion.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. WILLIAM REED HUNTINGTON, D. D., *Pastor in Charge*.

HENRY L. PARKER and MATTHEW J. WHITTALL, *Church Wardens*.

Baptized: Inf., 11. Com.: Pres. No., 45. Mar., 4. Bur., 6. S. S.: Offl. and Teach., 15; Schol., 120.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$7.50; Current Ex.: Collections in Ch., \$40.73; Pew Rents, \$349.85; Other Sources, \$7. Total, \$397.58.

Total of Contributions, \$405.08.

REMARKS.

Since Easter, at which time the resignation of the late Rector, the Rev. Amos Skeele, took effect, the Parish has been under the charge of the Rec-

tor of All Saints'. He undertakes, for the present, to provide one service a Sunday, and to see that the Sunday School, which, under the late Rector, grew to be a very flourishing one, is maintained. Under this arrangement, the active duties will be, in the main, discharged by the Rev. A. Mackay Smith, Assistant Minister at All Saints'

TRINITY CHURCH, WRENTHAM.

The Rev. FREDERICK A. FISKE, *Officiating Minister.*

DAVID N. FALES and ELIJAH POND, *Church Wardens.*

Baptized: Inf., 1; Ad., 2 = 3 Conf., 2. Com.: Rem., 1; Pres. No., 32. Mar., 8. Bur., 2. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 6; Schol., 32.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Current Ex., \$892.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Conv. Fund, \$9.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dio. B. of Mis., \$15.

Total of Contributions, \$916.

The following Reports were not received in time to appear in their proper places: —

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, BOSTON HIGHLANDS.

The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, *Rector.*

WM. RAYMOND LEE and ATHERTON T. BROWN, *Church Wardens.*

Baptized: Inf., 18; Ad., 7 = 25. Com.: Pres. No., 250. Mar., 7. Bur., 19. S. S.: Off. and Teach., 25; Schol., 178 = 203. Ch.: Sitzings, 500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN PARISH. — Alms, \$519.65; Current Ex., \$5,554.56; S. S.: \$140; S. S. Festival, \$75; Christmas Decorations, \$110.70; St. James's Guild, \$125; Employment Soc., \$290.42; Special, Mrs. D. G. K., \$100. Total, \$6,915.33.

OBJECTS WITHOUT PARISH. — Epis. Fund, \$79.76; Epis. Clerical Fund, \$5.00; Ch. Home, \$65; Christian or Theo. Education, \$108.26; For Hospitals, Hospital Sunday, \$114.92; Bible Society, \$49.50. Total, \$422.44.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Epis. City Mis., \$30.71; Dio. B. of Mis., \$45.66; Indian Mis., through Dakotah League, \$68.24; Scholarships in Bishop Harris's School, \$120; St. Mark's School, Salt Lake City, \$40; By Helping Hand Soc., for Mis., \$333.08 = \$637.69.

Total of Contributions, \$7,975.46.

REMARKS.

The Parish Guild, now two years old, numbers forty active members, continues its monthly meetings, and accomplishes its varied committee work with increased energy. The Benevolent Society cared for twenty-five families, distributed one hundred and fourteen garments and \$334.

The Employment Society numbers forty-six subscribers, employed twenty-one women, made and distributed three hundred and eighty-four garments and blankets. The Helping Hand Society numbers thirty-nine subscribers, made up four valuable boxes and one hundred and fifteen garments.

To the Bishop of the Diocese : —

St. Mark's School began its eleventh year with fifty-two pupils. Quite an unusual number of boys are preparing to enter college this examination; eight will go to Harvard, four to Yale, one to Brown. Three will enter upon business life. At the visit of the Bishop, one tutor and four pupils were confirmed. The number of communicants is eighteen.

The head master urges attention to the school, in the hope that interest in its work may bring to its strength foundations for scholarships and tutorships, and liberal gifts for the enlargement of its resources. The school should be an honor and strength to the Diocese, and be placed on a basis firmer than the income of its pupils, which must vary with ever varying circumstances.

J. I. T. COOLIDGE, *Head Master.*

II.

PERSONAL REPORTS.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

I hereby report that during the past year I have been engaged in my usual duties as Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Episcopal Theological School, and have also officiated as Chaplain to the McLean Asylum at Somerville.

ALEXANDER V. G. ALLEN.

• Cambridge, May 1, 1877.

• *To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :*

I have the honor to report that during the past year I have been engaged in teaching, and on Sundays have officiated in various Parishes of the Diocese.

Yours very truly,

B. W. ATWELL.

Springfield, May 1, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

During the past Conventional year, my health has allowed me occasionally to aid my clerical brethren in reading the service, preaching, and administering the Holy Communion. I have also solemnized one marriage and baptized one child.

WM. R. BABCOCK.

Narragansett, R. I., May 1, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

During the last Conventional year the only professional acts of the undersigned have been: officiated one Sunday in Trinity Church, Weymouth, and assisted at a marriage in the Church of St. John the Evangelist, in Haverhill.

WM. S. BARTLET.

Scituate Centre, May 1, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — During the past year I have spent most of my time in Oxford. I have frequently officiated in the Church of the Parish in which I am stopping, and at times elsewhere in various Dioceses. I have no official connection with the Church of the Advent, Boston.

I am, Rt. Rev. Bishop, faithfully yours,

EDWARD BENEDICT.

Oxford, Eng., April 28, 1877.

Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D. D. :

My Dear Bishop, — Not having charge of a Parish, I have no *parochial* report to present for the past year. I have officiated and preached as opportunity has been offered, as follows, viz.: fifty-six times in the Diocese of Albany, twice in the Diocese of Central New York, twice in the Diocese of Western Michigan, twice in the Dominion of Canada, and eight times in the Diocese of Massachusetts, in all seventy times. I have also officiated at eight funerals and two marriages, baptized seven persons, and administered the Holy Communion eight times in public and twice in private.

Faithfully yours, etc.

E. H. CANFIELD.

Arlington, Vt., April 24, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

During the past Conventional year I have been regularly engaged in the duties of my chaplaincy at the city institutions, South Boston, and have been able occasionally to assist the Rector of St. Matthew's. Since my last Report I have baptized four children, united five couples in marriage, and assisted at one other similar service, and have read the burial service at thirteen funerals. These official acts have all been recorded in the books of St. Matthew's Parish.

Very respectfully,

JOSEPH H. CLINCH.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have to repeat again the sad record of disability, being entirely incapable of public labors. It is an afflictive discipline, and I can only hope that He who has appointed it may enable me to receive it aright.

During the year I have once administered the Holy Communion to a sick person, and once performed the marriage service.

A. CROSWELL.

Cambridge, May 2, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts :

During the Conventional year now closing, I have, on several occasions, assisted in the administration of the Lord's Supper in St. Paul's Church, Boston, and have solemnized two marriages, reported in the statistics of said Church. As I have been invited to preach the gospel I have done so in the States of Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and New York.

Very respectfully,

SAMUEL CUTLER.

Boston, May 2, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts :

Dear Sir,— Herewith I report that I have been actively employed during the entire year in the usual ministrations of the Church, nearly always with some remuneration, but sometimes without. I have spent the last winter in Trinity Parish, Woburn, under a unanimous call to their rectorship, but after a careful study of the situation, and four months' labor among them, I was satisfied that the support to be received from them would be entirely inadequate for my family, and so resigned at Easter.

I have during the year baptized two infants and buried two adults, all of which are reported in the records of the Churches where they occurred.

Very truly yours in holy bonds,

GEORGE DENHAM.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

During the Conventional year, I have officiated as a supply thirty-six Sundays, have administered the Holy Communion six times, and read the Burial service once. When not otherwise engaged, I have assisted the Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newburyport, both in morning and evening prayer, and in the Holy Communion. The sudden death of a relative has detained me from the Convention.

SAMUEL M. EMERY.

May 1, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Right Rev. Father in God,— I beg to report that during the last year, as for eight years before, I have been living at my house in Westborough, and have preached and administered Sacraments in this and other Dioceses as occasion demanded, or as the kindness of my brethren of the clergy gave me opportunity.

I am, Rt. Rev. Father, faithfully yours,

H. W. FAY.

Westborough, May 3, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

The undersigned respectfully reports that he has officiated on Sundays and other Holy days, as occasion offered; and also the following special services: Baptisms, 8; Prepared and presented for confirmation, 9; Burials, 2.

F. S. FISHER.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

The undersigned respectfully reports performance of clerical duty on Sundays and other Holy days, and the following special services: Infant Baptisms, 2; Burials, 2.

F. A. FOXCROFT.

Cambridge, Fifth Monday after Easter, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Bishop, — I take this opportunity of sending to you my Easter salutations, and reporting my re-established health and my proposed return this coming August.

I am yours very faithfully in Christ,

C. C. GRAFTON.

Divonne, France, April 14, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D. D.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — During the past year I have been engaged in labors connected with the Episcopal Theological School, situated in this city, having succeeded in the Deanship to the venerable Dr. Stone, whose faithful services of many years in the ministry had entitled him to a well-earned retirement from active duty. I have also been occupied as Professor of Homiletics and Pastoral Care, and as acting Professor of Systematic Divinity.

In this, my first personal report of my occupation since becoming connected with the work of theological education in this Institution, it may be permitted me, in view of my position therein, to refer, as far as circumstances will allow, to the state and prospects of this work, which, although the school is, by the conditions of its foundation, neither local in its character nor diocesan in its amenability, yet has such interest that this reference may not be unacceptable.

The classes in whose instruction it has devolved upon me to take part have contained twelve students, besides two who are non-resident. A majority of these belong to your diocese, and it gives me pleasure to certify that they have manifested, to a satisfactory degree, that diligence in study and that consistency in demeanor which befit their sacred pursuits and their future calling.

It has been sought, in this training, to maintain that high standard of scholarship and of personal piety at which the school has ever aimed, so as to prepare devout, earnest, and capable ministers of Christ. There is reason for encouragement in this work, and already the applicants for admission in the autumn almost equal in number that large proportion of our present list who leave us, by graduation, in June.

The circumstances and the importance of the matter in question may also warrant calling attention to the significance attaching to the presence of such an Institution in a place like this. This was felt at the outset and becomes more evident from year to year.

On the one hand, this situation affords rare facilities to those seeking the ministry for the acquisition of that thorough culture which the age requires in the clergy, but which has not been sufficiently attended to in the past, while, on the other hand, the school, both by itself and by the services in its commodious chapel, has the opportunity to bear witness to the gospel and to the Church before a community which occupies a peculiar position in our land. There is, probably, no place in America which is so markedly

a centre of educational and literary influence, and where, with the Divine blessing, such witness can be as efficiently borne, by an Institution which is also itself educational.

Not less important is the further consideration that, by the school, the claims of the ministry are constantly presented to the attention of the many young men of our church who are members of the university, and among whom are so many whose talents and acquirements might be so useful if consecrated to the Redeemer. These now number over two hundred, most of whom, probably, belong to this Diocese, and of them seventy-five have, during the year, been habitual attendants upon the services in the Chapel of the school. The transepts are reserved for them and all is done than can be done properly, to render the Chapel and their relation to it a power to influence them. The majority of our own students hitherto have been drawn from this source, and it is expected that many more, hereafter, will pass from the honored halls of Harvard to our own.

To pass to such ministerial labors as are more properly the subject of the report of a clergyman not parochially settled, I would say that, as has been intimated, I have been occupied in connection with St. John's Memorial Chapel, of which, as Dean, I am in charge. I have officiated therein regularly during the year, excepting the week-day services, which are taken by all the Professors in turn, and also excepting the period of the summer vacation, when I being relieved from duty, the congregation secured the ministrations of the Rev. W. R. Hooper, and thus kept the Chapel open without interval.

This congregation which worships in the Chapel of the school has, from the nature of the case, no parochial position nor responsibilities, but all regular attendants who desire it are registered by me, and the various offices of the Church are extended to them. The attendances are excellent, and the people manifest as much unity of feeling and as much interest in Christian work as could be expected under the circumstances. I have sought to bestow as much pastoral care as was consistent with the proper fulfilment of prior duties, for it will be readily perceived that the Dean is required to exercise caution lest he involve himself in obligations which he cannot meet, in justice to those which have precedence in connection with the school. They who worship with us appreciate this, and understand that the relation existing is not strictly that of Pastor and people, with the usual claims of that tie. They have their own Sunday School in a building erected by them, and it has been a pleasure to me to take also a supervision of this and help them in the good work.

This peculiar condition of affairs also precludes the privilege and need of any such report as would be required in the care of a Parish, but I submit to you herewith such items and figures as may be of value, and may be properly embraced in the statistics of the Church in Massachusetts, in order to render those statistics complete.

Trusting that this survey of my work may be acceptable, and thanking you for your many manifestations of kindness and interest during the year that is closing, I remain

Yours very respectfully,

GEORGE Z. GRAY.

Cambridge, May 1, 1877.

Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have the honor to report that since the date of the last Convention I have officiated twice nearly every Sunday in Centurion Church, at this

post, and have frequently officiated at the Agricultural and Normal Schools, and in St. John's Church, Hampton, Va. I have celebrated the Holy Communion eleven times in Centurion Church (the Post Chapel), three times in St. John's Church, Hampton, Va., and once in private. I have baptized eleven persons, married four couples, presented two persons for confirmation (confirmed by the Bishop of Virginia), and officiated at ten funerals.

The Post Chapel (Centurion Church) has been repaired and greatly improved. Among the improvements are twenty-four stained glass windows, with suitable emblems, four of the windows being handsome memorials.

Very respectfully, your obt. servt.,

OSGOOD E. HERRICK.

Post Chaplain U. S. Army.

Fortress Monroe, Va., April 30, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin Henry Paddock, s. t. d., Bishop of Massachusetts :

During the Conventional year I have officiated on all the Sundays except four, and also eighty-eight times on other days. Baptisms, four infants; marriages, three; burials, nine. I have celebrated the Holy Eucharist sixty-two times, besides private celebrations. The greater number of the public celebrations were in the Church of the Advent, Boston, and St. Clement's Church, Philadelphia, which are under the care of laborious and self-denying mission priests of the Society of St. John Evangelist; but I have also served in about a score of other churches, mostly in this Diocese. With exception of the three marriages and one burial, my ministrations in all cases have been given gratuitously; and it is hoped that they may be accredited as a year's offering of love to the Master's service from one of the unbeneficed clergy of the Diocese. It has been a source of satisfaction to return in some measure in this way to others the many similar favors, for which, in common with most clergymen having parochial charge, I have been indebted in former years to beloved and valued brethren of the same class. It may seem a matter of small account that the services of such clergymen receive little pecuniary recompense, and oftentimes none at all, as lovingly given to Missions and poor churches, or to their brethren, the settled clergy, in times of pressure and exigency; but it is still less taken into account that casual and scattered ministrations like theirs, without any close tie of pastoral relationship, are also without that special tribute of affection and respect which lightens the toil of the parochial clergy, and which they value even more than the pecuniary support which they receive.

I am, my dear Bishop, with much love,

Your faithful son and servant in the Lord,

N. HOPPIN, *Presbyter.*

Cambridge, St. Philip and St. James, May 1, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D. :

Dear Sir, — I would report that directly after the last Convention, with the consent of Bishop McLaren, I assumed the charge of St. Mark's Church, Geneva, and of Calvary Church, Batavia, Illinois, where I remained until Sexagesima Sunday, Feb. 4, 1877. Since that date I have officiated in Philadelphia with the exception of two Sundays.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH KIDDER.

Germantown, Penn., April 30, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

I have officiated at various times in the Dioceses of Maine and Massachusetts, during the past Conventional year, my residence being continually at Worcester.

GEORGE S. PAINE.

May 2, 1877.

In compliance with the new canon that "every other Clergyman shall also report the occasional services he may have performed, or the causes or reasons which have prevented," I would simply report that during the past canonical year I have preached, making use of the press rather than the pulpit. I have not been present at a single marriage or funeral. I have baptized. I hope, many souls with the unction of the Spirit, but not one with water.

E. BARNABAS PALMER.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts :

My labors, the past ecclesiastical year, have been confined principally to the Parish at Arlington. I have, however, baptized elsewhere one infant.

DEXTER POTTER.

I am still in Deacon's Orders, without settlement in any Parish in the Diocese of Massachusetts, and am now absent from the Diocese, sojourning temporarily in the Diocese of Kentucky at Mt. Sterling, where I have on alternate Sundays, since the middle of January, conducted the services and preached; and on the first Sundays of February, March, and April, assisted the Rector of the Church in the Communion services; further than this, I have nothing to report. My residence is at Mattapoisett, Plymouth County, Mass.

DANIEL S. C. M. POTTER.

The Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D D., Bp. of Massachusetts :

Right Rev. and Dear Sir,—I am engaged temporarily, during the absence of the Rector, at Calvary Church, Summit, New Jersey. Since my last report I have officiated in various Churches in New York and New Jersey, and on two Sundays in St. Thomas's Church, Taunton, Massachusetts.

Yours truly,

RICHARD F. PUTNAM.

80 West 14th St., New York, April 26, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,—At the date of the meeting of the last convention, I was and had been for more than three months, very much out of health, but I was still endeavoring to perform my Sunday duties wholly or in part. When I could no longer officiate, the services were sustained by the kindness of clergymen who were spending the summer in Gloucester and by the aid of lay-readers. Finally, compelled by ill health, I resigned

the rectorship of St. John's Church, Gloucester, on the 20th of November last. Between the date of the convention and my resignation, I baptized two adults and three infants; I performed eight marriages, and attended one funeral.

From November to April, I abstained, by my physician's advice, from the public duties of my profession. On Easter day, with much joy and thankfulness, I again took part as a priest in the services of the Church, assisting the Rector of the Church of the Reconciliation, Webster.

I have entered into an engagement to hold Sunday-morning services in Grace Church, Oxford, during the summer months. This most providential arrangement enables me to enter again upon the regular exercise of my ministry with half duty. I hope to begin my work on the fifth Sunday after Easter.

I am, most sincerely, your faithful Presbyter,

J. D. REID.

Webster, May 2, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts:

I respectfully report that I have continued during the past year to discharge the duties devolving upon me as Secretary and General Agent of the Indian Commission of the Church.

ROBT. C. ROGERS.

No. 30 Bible House, New York, May 1, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D.:

I have preached in behalf of the American Bible Society during the past conventional year in the following Churches, viz.: St. Michael's Church, Trenton, N. J.; St. Paul's Church, Trenton, N. J.; Church of the Atonement, Philadelphia, Pa.; St. Matthias's Church, Philadelphia, Pa.; St. Luke's Church, Chelsea; Church of the Ascension, East Cambridge; Trinity Church, Lenox; St. George's Chapel, East Lee; St. Peter's Church, Cambridgeport; Trinity Church, Saco, Me.; Christ Church, Biddeford, Me.; St. Stephen's Church, Portland, Me.; Grace Church, Lawrence; St. Andrew's Church, Hanover; Church of the Ascension, Ipswich; Christ Church, Exeter, N. H.; St. Paul's Church, Dedham; St. George's Church, Astoria, N. Y.; St. James's Church, North Cambridge; Church of Our Saviour, Longwood; Christ Church, Westerly, R. I.; Christ Church, Lonsdale, R. I.; and St. John's Church, Ashton, R. I. I have also delivered numerous other addresses on the dissemination of the Holy Scriptures. Besides these duties, I have sent out over eight hundred letters, and a thousand printed statements giving information on the subject.

I resigned my office as Superintendent for the American Bible Society in the Protestant Episcopal Church on the last of November, but continued in actual service until March, thus completing, in my official connection with the Society, the period of twenty years.

Before entering upon this work, I had been unable, since my resignation of the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain, to perform the whole service on account of an injury to my voice, induced by over use when suffering from general debility, nor have I, even to the present time, recovered its use so fully as to be able to resume the charge of a Parish.

EDMUND F. SLAFTER.

Boston, May 2, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D. :

Dear Sir, — During the past year I have been, as heretofore, employed in teaching; and as my strength has been fully expended in that work, I have not deemed it best to seek any clerical engagements.

Very respectfully yours,

CARLOS SLAFTER.

Dedham, May 11, 1877.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir :

Since last October I have been residing in Mystic Bridge, Conn. My time has been chiefly occupied in attending to the settlement of my father's estate. I have, however, preached from time to time and assisted in the services of the Church as occasion required.

Very respectfully,

O. F. STARKEY.

Mystic Bridge, Conn.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

During the year I have, as usual, performed the duties of my chair in the Episcopal Theological School, at Cambridge, and have preached and otherwise officiated in various congregations of the Diocese and elsewhere, as occasion offered.

P. H. STEENSTRA.

Cambridge, May 2, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D. D. :

My Dear Bishop, — Absence from home has kept me from our Annual Convention, but I have no report to present to that body through you, further than to say that, during the last year, I have been laid aside from all official labor, except that of occasionally assisting in our Memorial Chapel at the administration of the Lord's Supper, and that of baptizing an infant when specially invited thereto.

Respectfully and very affectionately yours in Christ,

JOHN S. STONE.

Philadelphia, May 15, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I resigned the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Feb. 19, 1877, and since then have officiated from time to time, as opportunity offered, and have solemnized two marriages.

EDWARD H. TRUE.

Taunton, May 11, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D. D. :

I resigned my Rectorship of St. Paul's, Boston, on May 1, 1876, in the midst of a severe illness. For nearly six months I was not able to perform any duty. During the last fall and winter my health has steadily improved under good medical care, and is now better than it has been for a number of years. I have officiated and preached frequently during the latter six months.

TREADWELL WALDEN.

Fishkill-on-Hudson, May 1, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have to report very respectfully that since the last Diocesan Convention I have officiated every Sunday, principally at St. Mark's, but occasionally at some of the other churches in this city or the vicinity, rendering such assistance to my clerical brethren as was desired by them.

Having been retired on account of age, from active service in the navy, no duties relating to my chaplaincy have been performed.

JOHN LEE WATSON, *Chaplain U. S. Navy.*

Orange, New Jersey, May, A. D. 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D. :

My dear Bishop, — My age and my health have been such the past year that I have accomplished very little except in patiently waiting. I thank God that by the fidelity of your other clergy our Master has enabled you to accomplish a greater amount of work than usually falls to the happy lot of our Bishops. I have assisted my brethren several times in their public services, and have performed three entire services. I have baptized one infant, married five couples, and buried three persons.

I have given for the relief of well-known and suffering cases	\$449 48
Part of which I have received in several donations	155 90
	\$293 58

As I daily pray, may our Master's blessing ever be with you.

Your faithful Presbyter and servant,

E. M. P. WELLS.

Boston, May 2, 1877.

To the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Excepting a vacation in September last, I have uninterruptedly, during the past Convention year, officiated on Sundays, on many holy days, and, in Lent. I have given several church lectures, addressed or catechised the Sunday School about twice a month, assisted on several public occasions, performed various offices of the prayer-book, duly recorded, and I have made three hundred pastoral visits. At present, as last year at this time, I am helping the Rev. Andrew Gray, of St. Stephen's and Grace Chapel.

WM. C. WINSLOW.

429 Beacon St., Boston, May 2, 1877.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D. D. :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — Prior to the first of January, of the present year, I officiated as Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Boston. Later in the same month I came to England, where I have constantly served, in the work of the priesthood, under a license from the Bishop of Oxford.

Faithfully yours,

PELHAM WILLIAMS.

Oxford, England, March 12, A. D. '77.

The undersigned, in addition to the discharge of his duties in the Seminary at Cambridge, has aided from time to time in religious services, both in the Diocese of Massachusetts and in that of Rhode Island, where he resides during a portion of the year, and where he is domiciled.

FRANCIS WHARTON.

May 2, 1877.

Vandusen Villa
Wakefield
Waltham
Ware
Webster.....
Westfield
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Wilkinsonville
Williamstown
Woburn.....
Wood's Holl. .
Worcester
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CR. THE DIOCESE OF MASS., in account with CHAS. H. LEAROLD, Treas.

By Assessment of St. James's Church, Amesbury	\$7 50
" Grace Church, Amherst	18 00
" Christ Church, Andover	22 50
" St. John's Church, Ashfield	3 00
" St. Peter's Church, Beverly	5 00
" Church of the Advent, Boston	45 00
" Christ Church, Boston	22 50
" Emmanuel Church, Boston	120 00
" Church of the Messiah, Boston	45 00
" St. Margaret's Church, Brighton	12 00
" Church of St. Mary, Boston, for 1875	6 00
" St. James's Church, Roxbury	45 00
" St. John's Church, Roxbury	22 50
" St. Mary's Church, Dorchester	37 50
" All Saints' Church, Dorchester	9 00
" St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain	37 50
" St. John's Church, Charlestown	30 00
" St. Matthew's Church, South Boston	37 50
" St. Paul's Church, Boston	90 00
" Trinity Church, Boston	120 00
" Trinity Church, Bridgewater, for 1875	6 00
" St. Paul's Church, Brookline	46 50
" Church of Our Saviour, Longwood	30 00
" Christ Church, Cambridge	30 00
" St. Peter's Church, Cambridgeport	30 00
" St. Peter's Church, Cambridgeport, for 1874	24 00
" St. James's Church, North Cambridge	5 00
" Calvary Church, Danvers, for 1875	7 00
" St. Paul's Church, Dedham	30 00
" St. Philip's Church, Easthampton	6 25
" Grace Church, Fitchdale	10 00
" Christ Church, Fitchburg	20 00
" St. John's Church, Framingham	8 00
" St. James's Church, Great Barrington	18 00
" St. James's Church, Greenfield	15 00
" St. James's Church, South Groveland	15 00
" St. Andrew's Church, Hanover	18 00
" Trinity Church, Haverhill	22 50
" Christ Church, Hyde Park	22 50
" Grace Church, Lawrence	27 00
" St. John's Church, Lawrence	22 50
" St. John's Church, Lawrence, for 1875	15 00
" St. George's Church, Lee	5 52
" St. Anne's Church, Lincoln	5 00
" St. Anne's Church, Lowell	30 00
" St. John's Church, Lowell	22 50
" St. Stephen's Church, Lynn	22 50
" St. Paul's Church, Malden	11 00
" Grace Church, Medford	30 00
" Trinity Church, Melrose	9 00
Amount carried forward	\$1,279 37

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THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS, *in account*

	<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$1,279 87
By Assessment of Trinity Church, Melrose, for 1875		6 00
" Trinity Church, Milford		10 00
" Grace Church, New Bedford		30 00
" St. Paul's Church, Newburyport		24 00
" Grace Church, Newton		37 50
" Church of Messiah, West Newton		9 00
" St. Mary's Church, Newton Lower Falls		27 00
" St. Mary's Church, Newton Lower Falls, for 1875		18 00
" St. John's Church, Northampton		15 00
" Grace Church, North Attleborough		5 25
" St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield		30 00
" Christ Church, Quiney		18 00
" St. Peter's Church, Salem		30 00
" Grace Church, Salem		24 00
" Christ Church, Sheffield		8 75
" St. Thomas's Church, East Somerville		6 00
" St. Mark's Church, Southborough		12 00
" Christ Church, Springfield		45 00
" St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge		22 50
" Christ Church, Swansea		6 00
" St. Thomas's Church, Taunton		37 50
" Trinity Church, Van Deusenville		3 75
" Christ Church, Waltham		19 50
" Church of Reconciliation, Webster		22 50
" St. John's Church, Wilkinsonville, for 1875		5 00
" Church of Messiah, Wood's Holl		7 50
" All Saints' Church, Worcester		60 00
" Trinity Church, Wrentham, for 1875		9 00
" St. Paul's Church, Holyoke		27 00
" St. John's Church, Taunton		18 00
" Church of Atonement, Westfield		1 00
" Calvary Church, Danvers		8 00
" Trinity Church, Woburn		9 00
" St. Paul's Church, Hopkinton		5 00
" St. Luke's Church, Chelsea		18 00
" St. John's Church, Wilkinsonville		7 50
" St. Mark's Church, South Adams		8 00
" Church of Ascension, Fall River		5 00
" St. John's Church, North Adams		15 00
" St. John's Church, East Boston		— \$1,973 62
		22 50
		\$1,996 12

The following Parishes have failed to comply with the Canon on the Diocesan Fund:—

Bridgewater, Trinity Church; Gloucester, St. John's Church; Lanesborough, St. Luke's Church; Lenox, Trinity Church; Marblehead, St. Michael's Church; Natick, St. Paul's Church; Rochdale, Christ Church; Somerville, Emmanuel Church; Weymouth, Trinity Church; Wrentham, Trinity Church.

with CHARLES H. LEAROYD, *Treasurer.*

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1876	To Deficit of last year	\$58 94
May 18,	To cash paid Rev. D. G. Anderson	10 00
" 18,	" " Rev. W. McGlathery	8 50
" 18,	" " Bill of Advertising	7 80
" 20,	" " Sexton of St. Paul's Church, Boston	42 50
" 20,	" " Master Geo. Allen	5 00
" 24,	" " Rev. Lewis Green	10 00
" 26,	" " Church Journal	6 80
June 10,	" " Secretary's Bill	315 25
July 6,	" " Rand, Avery & Co.	6 00
" 6,	" " A. B. Kidder & Son	12 00
" 18,	" " C. W. Grant	85 00
Dec. 1,	" " A. Mudge & Son	795 79
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Jan. 6,	" " A. Williams & Co.	40 00
April 7,	" " Treasurer's Salary	100 00
" 17,	" " Bishop Paddock	50 83
" 18,	" " C. W. Grant	43 00
" 23,	" " Extra Assessment for General Convention	135 00
May 1,	" " Rev. W. H. Brooks, D. D., Official Expenses,	8 00
" 1,	" " For Printing, Stationery	15 00
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	Balance on hand	\$1,756 21 239 91
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		\$1,096 12

REPORT

OF JOSEPH W. CLARK, TREASURER OF THE EPISCOPAL CLERICAL FUND

BOSTON, MAY 1, 1877.

Balance on hand as reported May 16, 1877	\$1,150
Income from Investments	262
Convention Collection	86
Received from Churches, and others	482

\$1,972

Paid Rev. Beneficiary No. 2	\$300 00
" " " 4	300 00
" " " 3	200 00
" " " 1	200 00
" " " 5	200 00
" " " 6	100 00
	<u>\$1,300 00</u>

Balance May 1, 1877 \$672 01

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RECEIPTS IN DETAIL.

May 18. Collection at Convention	\$36 00
" 20. Rev. Lewis Green	2 00
June 7. Emmanuel Church, Boston, Choir Festival	50 10
July 5. Coupon, U. S. Gov. Bond, Gold and Premium	16 84
Sept. 22. Church of the Messiah, Boston	8 06
Oct. 2. Coupons, Burl. and Mo. Bonds	70 00
" 19. A Friend, through Rev. J. H. Clinch, D. D.	10 00
" 25. St. Thomas's Church, Taunton	50 00
Dec. 19. Christ Church, Cambridge	32 36
" 21. Church of the Ascension, Fall River	14 00
" 28. St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge	49 44
" 29. Episcopal Mission, Marlboro'	9 34
" 30. Grace Church, Newton	5 00

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Jan. 2. Christ Church, Andover	20 00
" 2. Coupons, U. S. Bonds	16 03
" 2. Burl. and Mo. In Net Bond	80 00
" 4. Church of Our Saviour, Longwood	110 93
" 4. St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge	6 00
" 4. St. George's Church, Lee	2 52
" 8. Christ Church, Quincy	18 24
" 9. St. James's Church, Greenfield	10 00
" 17. Parish of All Saints, Dorchester	6 75
Mar. 6. St. Paul's Church, Holyoke	9 65
" 26. St. Andrew's Church, Hanover	33 41
April 6. Coupons on Burl. and Mo. Bonds	70 00
" 13. St. Paul's Church, Dedham	25 00
" 18. Christ Church, Hyde Park	10 00

\$821 66

TREASURER'S REPORT
OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS.

RECEIPTS.

	No. of Offerings.	Amounts.
From Amesbury, St. James's Parish	3	\$17 45
Amherst, Grace	1	11 00
Andover, Christ	2	32 50
Ashfield, St. John's	2	16 00
Beverly, St. Peter's	2	10 00
Boston, Advent	4	247 57
" All Saints', Dorchester	2	39 89
" Christ	2	20 00
" Emmanuel	1	741 59
" Good Shepherd	2	40 25
" Grace, South Boston	1	4 04
" Messiah	1	61 18
" St. James's, Highlands	1	45 66
" St. John's, Highlands	2	41 57
" St. John's, Charlestown	1	27 00
" St. John's, East Boston	2	14 10
" St. John's, Jamaica Plain	2	75 00
" St. Margaret's, Brighton	2	22 48
" St. Mark's	3	193 72
" St. Mary's, Free Church for Sailors	1	5 00
" St. Mary's, Dorchester	1	20 46
" St. Paul's	1	711 66
" St. Stephen's	1	3 01
" Trinity	3	1,655 21
Bridgewater, Trinity	2	43 36
Brockton, St. Paul's Mission	1	10 00
Brockline, St. Paul's	1	33 28
Cambridge, Ascension, East Cambridge	2	10 00
" Christ	2	94 58
" St. John's	1	30 00
" St. Peter's	1	25 00
Chelmsford, St. Anne's	1	4 00
Chelsea, St. Luke's	1	18 50
Cherry Valley, Mission	1	2 66
Clinton, Mission	2	22 00
Danvers, Calvary	2	14 44
Dedham, St. Paul's	2	117 53
Easthampton, St. Philip's	2	10 00
Fall River, Ascension	2	50 00
Fitchburg, Christ	2	45 80
Framingham, St. John's	2	23 00
Gloucester, St. John's	1	27 40
Greenfield, St. James's	3	44 48
Hanover, St. Andrew's	2	40 00
Haverhill, Trinity	4	24 76
Holyoke, St. Paul's	3	34 36
Hopkinton, St. Paul's	1	6 27
Hyde Park, Christ	2	21 83
Lanesborough, St. Luke's	1	9 01
Lawrence, Grace	1	69 68
Lee, St. George's	2	24 00
Lenox, Trinity	1	80 00
Lincoln, St. Anne's	1	7 00
Longwood, Our Saviour	2	85 77
Lowell, St. Anne's	2	67 30
" St. John's	2	52 00
Lynn, St. Stephen's	1	548 00
Malden, St. Paul's	1	21 10
Marblehead, St. Michael's	1	10 00
Marlborough, Mission	3	24 00
Medford, Grace	2	46 00
Melrose, Trinity	2	12 50

Amount carried forward

\$5,838 35

	No. of Offerings.	Amounts.
<i>Amount brought forward</i>		\$5,836 35
Milford, Trinity	1	20 00
Millbury, Mission	1	4 16
Millville, St. John's	1	10 00
Nantucket, St. Paul's	1	17 21
Natuck, St. Paul's	2	10 00
New Bedford, Grace	2	52 42
Newburyport, St. Paul's	3	115 00
Newton, Grace	3	26 00
" Messiah	3	20 00
North Adams, St. John's	1	34 00
North Attleborough, Grace	2	27 00
Northampton, St. John's	1	6 04
Peabody, St. Paul's Mission	2	11 00
Pltafield, St. Stephen's	2	77 90
Plymouth, Christ	1	15 00
Quincy, Christ	2	35 71
Rochdale, Christ	2	10 00
Salem, Grace	2	55 00
" St. Peter's	2	59 00
Sheffield, Christ	2	64 40
Somerville, Emmanuel	1	4 40
" St. Thomas's	1	20 00
South Adams, St. Mark's	2	11 37
Southborough, St. Mark's	2	142 78
Springfield, Christ	3	163 05
" Good Shepherd	1	1 70
Swansea, Christ	2	20 00
Taunton, St. John's	1	7 73
" St. Thomas's	2	80 99
Van Deusenville, Trinity	2	61 61
Wakefield, Emmanuel	2	10 00
Waltham, Christ	2	61 00
Ware, Trinity	1	7 00
Webster, Reconciliation	2	95 45
Westfield, Atonement	2	18 22
Weymouth, Trinity	1	13 56
Williamsonville, St. John's	3	24 64
Williamstown, St. John's	2	12 95
Woburn, Trinity	1	11 00
Wood's Holl, Messiah	2	28 22
Worcester, All Saints'	1	43 00
Wrentham, Trinity	2	8 75
From Southern Convocation		\$7,317 21
Central "		\$30 60
Eastern "		7 75
Southern and Eastern Convocation, Joint Meeting		9 59
Massachusetts Church Missionary Society		44 19
Individuals and Special Gifts		55 00
		2,501 00
Balance		\$2,647 53
		1,735 97
		\$11,700 71

The above balance, \$1,735.97, is the amount of deficiency in the receipts for the year which existed on May 1, 1877. This sum was contributed by individual gifts and pledges during the sitting of the Convention, May 2 and 3, thereby enabling the Board to discharge all its obligations for the year ending April 30, 1877.

PAYMENTS.

To Amesbury, St. James's	\$300 00
Ashfield, St. John's	300 00
Bridgewater, Trinity (including East Bridgewater)	300 00
Brighton, St. Margaret's	300 00
Brockton, St. Paul's Mission	600 00
Cambridge, East, Ascension Mission	300 00
Chelmsford, St. Anne's	300 00
Clinton, Good Shepherd Mission	400 00
<i>Amount carried forward</i>	\$2,800 00

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<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$2,800 00
Danvers, Calvary	400 00
Dorchester Lower Mills, All Saints'	400 00
Easthampton, St. Philip's	200 00
Framingham, St. John's	200 00
Gloucester, St. John's	322 25
Hopkinton, St. Paul's (including Marlborough)	150 00
Lee, St. George's	500 00
Milford, Trinity	366 66
Nantucket, St. Paul's	323 32
Natick, St. Paul's	500 00
North Attleborough, Grace	300 00
Otis, St. Paul's	20 00
Peabody, St. Paul's Mission	250 00
Wakefield, Emmanuel	300 00
Rochdale, Christ (including Cherry Valley Mission)	207 75
Sheffield, Christ	250 00
Somerville, St. Thomas's	300 00
Swansea, Christ	400 00
Van Deusenville, Trinity	250 00
Ware, Trinity	45 85
Westfield, Atonement	500 00
West Newton, Meselah	400 00
Wilkinsonville, St. John's	200 00
Millbury Mission	150 00
Williamstown, St. John's	187 50
Woburn, Trinity	333 33
Wood's Holl, Messiah	300 00
Wrentham, Trinity	241 00
Millville, St. John's	135 40
Somerville, St. James's Mission	30 00
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	\$11,063 06
Treasurer's Expense Account, \$96 09; Interest Account, \$33.33; Pub- lication Account, \$489.28; Expense of Missionary Meetings, \$18.95.	<hr/>
	637 65
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	\$11,700 71

J. S. BLATCHFORD, *Treasurer.*

DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Treasurer's statement exhibits in detail the receipts and disbursements for the year. They may be summarized as follows:—

The total receipts for the year have been \$9,964 74, derived from the following sources:

From Parish Offerings	\$7,317 21
“ Convocations	91 53
“ Individual and Special Gifts	2,501 00
“ Mass. Church Missionary Society	55 00
Total	<u>\$9,964 74</u>

The disbursements for the year have been \$9,309.05, for the following purposes:—

The payment of Stipends to Parishes and Missions	\$8,671 40
“ Expense Account	96 09
“ Publication Account	489 28
“ Interest Account	33 33
“ Expenses of Missionary Meetings	18 95
Total	<u>\$9,309 05</u>

There is a cash balance in the Treasury, May 1, 1877, of \$655.69.

The quarterly stipends for the three months ending April 30, 1877, due to the Parishes and Missions on the appropriation list of the Board, are unpaid, amounting to \$2,391.66. This constitutes the present indebtedness of the Board.

Applying to it the cash balance on hand, \$655.69, a deficiency is shown of \$1,735.97, which is required to enable the Board to complete the payment of stipends due to its Missionaries.

One hundred and four Parishes have the past year contributed 182 offerings to the Treasury of the Board, and a total sum of \$7,317.21, as compared with 101 Parishes, 191 offerings, and the sum of \$7,561.70, the previous year, and 87 Parishes, 131 offerings, and \$6,603.70 in the year 1874-5.

Forty Parishes and Missions have received the aid of the Board during the year as follows:—

Amesbury, St. James's; Ashfield, St. John's; Bridgewater, Trinity; East Bridgewater, Mission; Brighton, St. Margaret's; Brockton, St. Paul's Mission; East Cambridge, Ascension Mission; Chelmsford, Emmanuel; Clinton, Mission; Danvers, Calvary; Easthampton, St. Philip's; Framingham, St. John's; Gloucester, St. John's; Hopkinton, St. Paul's; Lee, St. George's; Marlborough, Mission; Millbury, Mission; Milford, Trinity; Dorchester Lower Mills, All Saints'; Millville, St. John's; Nantucket, St. Paul's; North Attleborough, Grace; Natick, St.

Otis, St. Paul's; Peabody, St. Paul's Mission; Rochdale, Christ; Sheffield; Somerville, St. Thomas's; Swansea, Christ; Van Deusenville, Trinity; Wrentham, Trinity; Wakefield, Emmanuel; Westfield, Atonement; West Newton, Wilkinsville, St. John's; Williamstown, St. John's; Woburn, Trinity; Wrentham, Trinity.

Following changes have occurred during the year in the several Parishes mentioned named:—

D. Reid resigned the rectorship of St. John's, Gloucester, Nov. 20, 1876, succeeded Feb. 1, 1877, by Rev. W. R. Hooper, Jr.

F. Lloyd resigned the Rectorship of Trinity, Milford, at Easter last, succeeded by Rev. G. R. Wheelock.

John D. McConkey assumed charge of St. John's, Millville, the Parish then long vacant, on Oct. 15, 1876.

St. Paul's, Nantucket, became vacant June 4, 1876, by the resignation of Rev. Hooper, Jr., who was succeeded Aug. 13, 1876, by Rev. Levi Boyer, its rector.

S. Beers resigned Grace Parish, North Attleborough, Sept. 17, 1876, and immediately succeeded by Rev. F. A. Fiske.

Christ Church, Swansea, is now vacant by the resignation of Rev. N. W. May 1, 1877.

Rev. S. P. Parker has resigned the charge of Trinity Parish, Van Deusenville.

St. Paul's, Ware, has remained vacant since the retirement of Rev. B. W. and St. Paul's Mission, Palmer, has remained vacant throughout the year.

St. Paul's, Woburn, became vacant Nov. 30, 1876, by the resignation of Rev. J. Shearman.

F. Starkey resigned the rectorship of Trinity, Wrentham, Oct. 1, 1876, and the Parish has since remained vacant.

The semiannual missionary meeting of the Board was held in Christ Church, Springfield, on Oct. 26 and 27, 1876; and the sixth in St. Stephen's, Lynn, on April 19 and 20, 1877.

The programme of each meeting is herewith given.

SEMIANNUAL DIOCESAN MISSIONARY MEETING, CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD, OCT. 26 AND 27, 1876.

Thursday, Oct. 26.

Consideration of the Church's Duty to the Young.

1. *Are Sunday Schools Indispensable and Efficient Agents in its Discharge?* By the Rev. ANDREW GRAY, Head of the Episcopal City Mission, Boston.
2. *The Real Elements of Holy Efficiency, and how attainable by all Sunday Schools.* By the Rev. A. C. A. HALL, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Advent, Boston.

- 3. *The Sunday School the Training-School for the Church's Worship, Life, and Work.* By the Rev. WILLIAM P. TUCKER, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Holyoke.
- 7½ P. M. **Missionary Services.**
Missionary Sermon. By the Rev. CHARLES AREY, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's Church, Salem.
Practical Suggestions by Clergymen or Laymen.

Friday, Oct. 27.

- 10 A. M. **Celebration of the Holy Communion.**
Concio ad Clerum. By the Rev. S. P. PARKER, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Sheffield, and Trinity, Van Deusenville.
- 3 P. M. **Public Conference on Missionary Subjects.**
Subject Suggested.
 "The vacant feeble Churches, the untried but inviting fields, and the unemployed Clergy, a suggestion of the Church's injurious bondage to the Parochial System in her Missionary Work." Discussion opened by the Rev. SAMUEL HOLLINGSWORTH, D. D., Rector of St. James's Church, Greenfield.
- 7½ P. M. **Final Missionary Meeting.**
 The Home Mission Work of this Diocesan Church.
 1. *Our Field: its Reality and its Needs.* By the Rev. CHARLES HENRY BABCOCK, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Boston.
 2. *The Peculiar Difficulties in our Work.* By the Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, Rector of St. John's Church, Boston Highlands.
 3. *Our most Hopeful Methods and our Sufficient Encouragements.* By the Rev. WILLIAM CHAUNCY LANGDON, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Cambridge.
 Closing Remarks and Benediction, by the Bishop.

SIXTH SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING DIOCESAN MISSIONS, ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH,
LYNN, APRIL 19 AND 20, 1877.

Thursday, April 19.

- 4 P. M. **The Sunday School in its Relations to Missions.**
The Ground of such Relations. By the Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, Rector of the Church of the Atonement, Westfield.
Practicable Manifestations of Missionary Interest. By the Rev. S. U. SHEARMAN, Rector of St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain.
Methods of developing such an Interest. By the Rev. WM. WILBERFORCE NEWTON, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Boston.
- 7½ P. M. **The Missionary Sermon.** By the Rev. M. DOUGLASS, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Andover.

Friday, April 20.

10½ A. M. Celebration of the Holy Communion.

Address by the Bishop.

3 P. M. Public Conference on Missionary Subjects.

Subjects Suggested (any in order).

"Debts of Missionary Boards and Agencies; their Moral Aspect and our Moral Obligations." Discussion opened by the Rev.

F. W. SMITH, Rector of Church of the Messiah, West Newton.

7½ P. M. The Missionary Meeting.

The Gospel Estimate of Churches that "do not believe in Missions."

By the Rev. WM. T. FITCH, Rector of Ascension Church, Fall River.

Intelligent, Systematic, and Conscientious Giving in its Relations to Missions. By the Rev. GEO. ZABRISKIE GRAY, D. D., Dean of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.

What Claims, if any, Massachusetts has as a Mission Field. By the Bishop.

JOS. S. FAY,
FRANCIS O. FOSTER, } *Auditing
Committee.*

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			Charity.	Annuity.
1876.				
May 16,	By Balance	\$336 12		
July 1,	" Annuities to certain widows	575 00		
Aug. 31,	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "			\$50 00
	" Payment to Lee, Higginson & Co., for \$4,000 New Bedford R. R. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$, 1894, at 108	\$4,320 00		
Oct. 1,	" Interest from July 1, to date	46 67	4,366 67	
Nov. 3,	" Annuities to certain widows	625 00		
Nov. 17,	" Loan repaid Treasurer annuitants	150 00		100 00
1877.	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	150 00	300 00	
Jan. 1,	" Certain widows. annuitants	575 00		
" 4,	" Miss Mary F. Packard, Administratrix in settlement of her father's contract annuity			50 00
April 1,	" Certain widows, annuitants	650 00		1,982 68
	" Henry Lee, manager, rent of vault to June, 1877	20 00		100 00
	" J. H. Sturgis, for sundry expenses	12 75		
	" Charges for collection, by N. E. Trust Co., May . . . . .	.50		
	" Charges for collection, by N. E. Trust Co., July . . . . .	.30		
	" Charges for collection, by N. E. Trust Co., January . . . . .	.50	1 30	
	" Expressage on redemption of Cincinnati W. H. Bonds		1 20	
	" 1 year's interest Mass. H. Life Ins. Co., per contra	418 48		724 38
	By balance			1,926 81
E. E.	Boston.	\$7,681 47	\$4,933 82	

APPENDIX C.

A Standing Order of Business, and Rules of Order of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY OF THE SESSION.

A. M.

At the hour appointed for the opening of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, when the order of procedure shall be as follows:—

I. 1. The Lord's Prayer, and the "prayer to be used at the meetings of Conventions."

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats and votes, and of those entitled only to seats in the Convention. He shall then call the names of Parishes, and receive certificates, as by Sect. 4, Canon 2, Title I.

3. The President shall appoint a Committee on Qualifications, to whom the list of the Clergy and the credentials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred.

II. Morning Prayer, and Sermon or Charge, and the administration of the Holy Communion.

III. 1. Immediately after Divine Service, the Committee on Qualifications shall report. The Convention shall act at once and without debate upon all undisputed names and credentials. All questions of membership raised by the Committee or by the Convention shall be laid aside temporarily.

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Lay Delegates, as the same shall have been approved by the Convention.

3. A constitutional quorum of both Orders being present, the President shall declare the Convention organized for business.

4. The election of a Secretary.

5. The reading of the Rules of Order of the last Convention.

6. The appointment by the President of five Standing Committees, viz.: A Committee on the Admission of new Parishes; a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, — to consist each of five members, three Clergymen and two Laymen; an Executive Committee, for nominating the Preachers of Sermons before this Body, and for recommending the time

and place for holding the next Convention, — to consist of three members, two Clergymen and one Layman; a Committee on Unfinished Business and a Committee on Finance, — to consist each of three members, one Clergyman and two Laymen.

7. The receiving and referring of papers in respect to the admission of new Parishes.

8. A recess shall be ordered.

P. M.

IV. Report of the Committee on Qualifications, on certificates and documents laid aside. The Convention shall take immediate action. Subsequent Reports of the Committee on Qualifications shall be in order at any time.

V. 1. The Annual Address of the Bishop, unless he shall prefer another time for its delivery.

2. Reference of matters therein contained, if so ordered, to Committees.

3. Presentation of subjects by resolutions, to be referred without debate to Standing or Special Committees.

VI. Reports and action upon them, in the following order: —

1. Parochial Reports to be received by the Bishop.

2. Report from the Committee on new Parishes, the admission of the Parishes, and the reception of their Lay Delegates.

3. Report from the Standing Committee.

4. Report from the Diocesan Board of Missions.

5. Reports from the Convocations.

6. Reports from Special Committees appointed at the preceding Convention.

7. Report from the Treasurer of the Convention.

8. Report from the Registrar of the Convention.

9. Report from the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

10. Report from the Episcopal Church Association.

11. Report from Trustees of Fund for the Erection of Churches, etc.

12. Report from the Trustees of Donations.

13. Report from the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society,

14. Report from the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

15. Report from the Episcopal Clerical Fund.

16. Reports from any other Church or Charitable Societies recognized by the Convention.

17. Reports from any of the Standing Committees of the Convention, in their order, as in III, 6. If any report be not ready in the order prescribed above, more time may be allowed, and it shall be presented and be in order at the first vacancy in the regular business after it shall be prepared.

VII. Miscellaneous business.

VIII. Adjournment to the second day.

SECOND DAY OF THE SESSION.

IX. 1. Morning Prayer at 9 A. M.

2. Reading of Minutes of the first day, and action upon them.

3. The calling of the roll.

X. 1. The finishing of the business which was under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Convention.

2. The disposal of unfinished business in the order above prescribed for the first day.

XI. 1. The Standing Committees shall be called, in their order, reports may be received from any of them, and action may be taken thereon.

2. Reports of Special or other Committees on matters referred to them during the session, and action thereon.

XII. Miscellaneous Business.

XIII. Elections, to be proceeded with at 11 o'clock A. M., in the following order:—

1. Of Treasurer of the Convention.

2. Of Registrar.

3. Of Deputies to the General Convention.

4. Of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

5. Selection of persons to be nominated to the General Convention, or to the Board of Trustees, as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

6. Election of Members of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

7. Of Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

8. Of Committee on entertaining the Clerical Members of the Convention.

XIV. Miscellaneous Business.

XV. Adjournment to the third day, if the Convention be prolonged.

THIRD OR OTHER SUBSEQUENT DAY OF THE SESSION.

XVI. 1. Morning prayer, reading, etc., of the Minutes, reception of new members, calling of the roll, and finishing of business under consideration at last adjournment, as on the second day.

2. The disposal of the unfinished business of the Convention in the order above prescribed.

XVII. When the Convention shall be prepared to adjourn without day, there shall be reading of the Minutes, not already approved, and action thereon; then, after prayers and benediction by the President, the Convention shall stand so adjourned, without day.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I. When the President takes the Chair no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

No member shall absent himself from the Convention, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the Convention, nor more than once until others desiring to speak shall have spoken.

While the President is putting any question the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put shall vote, unless he be personally interested in the question or be excused by the Convention for reasons assigned.

RULE II. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE III. No motion shall be considered as before the Convention unless seconded by a member not belonging to the same Parish with the mover; and every motion shall, if required, be reduced to writing, and the name of the mover appended.

RULE IV. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read and entered on the Minutes, unless otherwise determined by the Convention; and if accompanied by resolutions, the question shall be on adopting them.

RULE V. When a question is before the Convention it shall be in order — 1, To lay on the table; 2, To postpone to a day certain; 3, To commit; 4, To amend; 5, To postpone indefinitely; and motions for any of these proceedings shall have precedence in the order in which they are here named, and a question on any of these shall be decided before the original motion.

RULE VI. If the question under debate contains distinct propositions, the same shall be divided at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

RULE VII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such amendment shall be in order, but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter, may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

If a motion to lay on the table an amendment be carried, the matter before the Convention shall be proceeded with as if no such amendment had been offered.

RULE VIII. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

RULE IX. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking; and, if unqualified, shall be decided without debate.

RULE X. All questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Convention.

RULE XI. Record shall be made upon the Minutes of every motion or resolution which is put upon its passage, or upon which any action, allowed by Rule V, shall have been taken; but with the consent of the Convention, the mover may withdraw a motion or resolution at any time before such action has been taken or it has been put upon its passage, in which case it shall not be entered on the Minutes.

RULE XII. An address or communication from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

RULE XIII. A question having been decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session without the consent of two thirds of the members present, nor unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority on the original decision.

RULE XIV. In elections by ballot, the polls shall be closed when the Tellers or Committee appointed to count the ballots withdraw from the room in which the Convention is held; and no clerical or lay members shall be allowed to vote after that time, except by direct permission of the Convention on the application in form of each member desiring so to vote; and the reasons of his not having previously voted shall be stated by him to the Convention before his application is entertained.

RULE XV. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

RULE XVI. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

RULE XVII. The Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention.

RULE XVIII. For the suspension of any part of the Standing Order of Business, or of any of the Rules of Order, the consent of two thirds of the members present shall be necessary.

GUIDE IN ORGANIZING NEW PARISHES.

A resolution of Convention (Journal of 1871, pp. 45, 46, and 196) recommends as a guide to new Parishes in organizing the form of Constitution and By-Laws hereto appended. An important requirement of the Constitution of the Diocese is, however, first to be noted, viz. :—

ARTICLE 12.

ADMISSION OF A PARISH INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. To entitle a Parish to admission into union with the Convention, such Parish shall submit to the Convention a certified copy of its Articles of Association, or other satisfactory evidence of its organization (or, if specially incorporated, of its Charter), and of its Constitution and By-Laws; in which it must be declared that such Parish accedes to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship, the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese; and such Parish shall lay before the Convention written evidence, subscribed by the Wardens and Vestry, that it has been duly organized as such for the space of one year, and during that time has held regular public services.

SECT. 2. Copies of said Articles of Association or Charter and of the Constitution and By-Laws of such Parish, together with the circumstances and need of its organization, must also be submitted to the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese at least one month before the Annual Session of the Convention, and be approved by them respectively; or if not so approved, he or they shall report to the Convention the reasons in writing of such disapproval. The whole subject, with all the documents, shall be referred to a special committee of three Clerical and three Lay members of the Convention to report thereon.

The Resolution and the recommended Form of Constitution and By-Laws here follow :—

Resolved, That, in order to secure as much uniformity as local circumstances will permit, and also to place the management of Parish affairs on a wise and just basis, the following Form of Constitution and By-Laws is recommended :—

CONSTITUTION.

WHEREAS, The undersigned have associated themselves together for the purpose of worshipping Almighty God according to the faith and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, and have for that purpose formed a parish at,
in, they therefore declare

the following to be the objects, conditions, and articles of their said association, viz. :—

First. The name of this Parish shall be "The Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestrymen of"; or, "The Parish of"

Second. This Parish acknowledges itself to be a member of and to belong to the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and in the Diocese of Massachusetts. As such, it accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the Constitution, canons, doctrine, discipline, and worship of said Church, and acknowledges the authority of the same accordingly.

Third. Any male person of the age of twenty-one years who has subscribed to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Parish and who has aided in maintaining public worship therein for a period of twelve months immediately preceding any meeting, either by regular attendance thereon or by pecuniary aid in hiring a sitting or otherwise, shall be considered a member of the Parish and entitled to vote in all its affairs while he continues such member; but no member who shall disclaim or refuse conformity to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid shall be eligible to any office or function in this Parish, or be entitled to vote in its affairs.

Fourth. The Rector of this Parish shall be elected by the members thereof, unless the By-Laws otherwise provide; but no person shall be eligible to that office unless he shall have had Episcopal ordination, and unless he be in full standing with the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid, and recognized as such by the Bishop of this Diocese, or in case of a vacancy, by the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Fifth. All the property of this Parish shall be taken and held subject to the control and disposition of the Vestry of the same, but shall not be sold or conveyed without the vote of the Parish; but the rents, revenues, and incomes of the same shall be applied, from time to time, to the support of the Rector or Minister thereof, and for the erection and repairs of the church, churchyard, parsonage, and other buildings belonging to the same, and other necessary Parish charges, and to no other use or purpose whatever.

Sixth. This Constitution may be amended as follows: Any proposed amendment shall be submitted to a meeting of the Vestry, and upon its recommendation shall be submitted to a meeting of the Parish, and if approved by the same, shall be submitted to the next Diocesan Convention, and upon its approval shall be deemed and taken to be a part of this Constitution.

BY-LAWS.

SECTION 1. The annual meeting shall be held on Monday in Easter week, in the church, chapel, place of worship, or such place as the Wardens may appoint, at which meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, any business may be transacted without any previous notice thereof. Notice of this meeting shall be posted seven days prior thereto on the church door, and given from the chancel on the Sunday previous by the clergyman officiating. All meetings shall be opened with prayer.

SECT. 2. Special meetings shall be called by the Wardens, or in case of vacancy, by three members of the Vestry, whenever they deem it advisable, or whenever so requested in writing either by the Rector or any five members of the Parish, but at special meetings no business shall be transacted unless specified in the notice calling the same. Such meetings

shall be notified by the Clerk, by mailing or delivering to each member of the Parish a written or printed notice of the time, place, and purposes of the meeting, four days at least before the same is held.

SECT. 3. At all meetings of the Parish, the Rector, if present, or in his absence, one of the Wardens shall preside; in their absence, a temporary presiding officer shall be chosen by the members present.

SECT. 4. At a meeting of the Parish, five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but any less number may adjourn such meeting.

SECT. 5. At the annual meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, there shall be chosen two Wardens, who shall also act as Assessors, a Treasurer and Collector, a Clerk, and such number of Vestrymen, not exceeding as may be determined by the members present, — all of whom shall constitute the Vestry; such election to be in all cases by ballot, and the person having the highest number of ballots shall be elected, the officers so elected to serve until the next annual meeting, and until others are elected *and qualified* in their stead. Any vacancies may be filled by the Vestry. All such officers, except the Vestry, shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties, the fact of taking the oath being recorded by the Clerk. Delegates to the Diocesan Convention shall be chosen at the annual meeting, by ballot, or as the members present may determine.

SECT. 6. The Wardens and Vestrymen shall have the management and oversight of all the temporal affairs of the Parish, and shall, in connection with the Rector, make necessary preparations for public worship and for the music at the same. They shall meet as often as once in every three months, and whenever requested by the Rector or either Warden. At each meeting, the record of the previous meeting shall be read and approved or amended. The Rector shall be notified of the meetings of the Vestry, and if present shall preside, and be entitled, in common with each member of the Vestry, to one vote.

SECT. 7. The Clerk shall keep a true record of all the proceedings of the Parish, and also of doings of the Wardens and Vestry, in suitable books for that purpose, and shall also record all deeds or transfers of pews, for which latter duty he shall be entitled to the sum of fifty cents for each deed. At any Parish meeting any member may call for the reading of the records of the Vestry meeting for the preceding year.

SECT. 8. The Treasurer shall keep a true account of all moneys received and paid out by him, and present a full account thereof and of the financial condition of the Parish at each annual meeting; and such account shall be audited and approved by the Wardens and Vestrymen, or a committee thereof. He shall pay no sum exceeding \$10, except for regular fixed salaries, without the approval of at least one Warden or two Vestrymen, or the previous direction of the Parish or Vestry. He shall give bonds whenever required by the Wardens or Vestry for the faithful performance of his duties.

SECT. 9. All pews shall be liable to assessment for the support of the Rector and the maintenance of public worship, the repairs of the church, and all other necessary Parish charges, as the Parish may determine, according to the provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth.

SECT. 10. These By-Laws may be altered, amended, or repealed at any regular meeting of the Parish by a majority of the legal members present; *provided*, notice thereof is set forth in the notice calling the meeting.

APPENDIX D.

I.

LIST OF CLERGYMEN

IN THE

DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

May 3, 1877.

The Rt. Rev. BENJAMIN HENRY PADDOCK, D. D., Bishop.

- The** Rev. CHARLES COLLARD ADAMS, Rector of St. Luke's, Lanesborough.
The Rev. ALEXANDER VIETS GRISWOLD ALLEN, Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Boston.
The Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN ANDERSON, Rector of St. James's, Great Barrington.
The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's, Salem.
The Rev. BENJAMIN WARREN ATWELL, Springfield.
The Rev. CHARLES HENRY BABCOCK, Rector of St. Mark's, Boston.
The Rev. WILLIAM ROBINSON BABCOCK, D. D., New Jersey.
The Rev. SAMUEL REED BAILEY, Rector of Christ Church, Rochdale, and Missionary at Cherry Valley.
The Rev. WILLIAM STOODLEY BARTLET, Registrar of the Diocese, Scituate Centre.
The Rev. EDWARD BENEDICT, residing in England.
The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT, Deacon, officiating at All Saints', Dorchester District, Boston.
The Rev. JOHN WOODBRIDGE BIRCHMORE, Missionary at Clinton.
The Rev. LEVI BOYER, Rector of St. Paul's, Nantucket.
The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, Rector of Trinity Church, Boston.
The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D. D., officiating at St. Andrew's, Hanover, and Assistant Secretary of the Convention.
The Rev. ABBOTT BROWN, residing in England.
The Rev. BELNO ADDISON BROWN, Rector of St. John's, Lawrence.
The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, Rector of St. James's, Boston Highlands.
The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Springfield, and Examining Chaplain.
The Rev. THOMAS BURGESS, Minister at St. John's, North Adams.
The Rev. JOHN THOMPSON BURRILL, officiating at St. Luke's, Chelsea.
The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Boston, and Examining Chaplain.
The Rev. FRANKLIN LEONARD RUSH, Missionary at St. Paul's, Hopkinton, and at Marlborough.
The Rev. ELI HAWLEY CANFIELD, D. D., Arlington, Vermont.
The Rev. HIRAM CARLETON, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl.
The Rev. THOMAS G. CARVER, D. D., Missionary at Brockton.

- The Rev. NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN, residing at Cambridge.
 The Rev. FRANCIS CHASE, Rector of St. John's, Framingham.
 The Rev. WILLIAM FRANKLIN CHENEY, Deacon, Assistant at St. Paul's, Dedham,
 and in charge of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Dedham.
 The Rev. JOSEPH HART CLINCH, s. t. d., Chaplain of the City Institutions, South
 Boston, and Secretary of the Convention.
 The Rev. THOMAS COLE, Rector of St. Margaret's, Brighton District, Boston.
 The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, Rector of St. John's, Boston Highlands.
 The Rev. BENJAMIN F. COOLEY, Rector of St. Anne's, Chelmsford.
 The Rev. JAMES IVERS TRECOTHICK COOLIDGE, d. d., Head Master of St. Mark's
 School, and Rector of St. Mark's, Southborough.
 The Rev. ANDREW CROSWELL, residing at Cambridge.
 The Rev. SAMUEL CUTLER, residing in Boston.
 The Rev. LOUIS DE CORMIS, Rector of St. Stephen's, Lynn.
 The Rev. GEORGE DENHAM, residing at East Boston.
 The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, d. d., Rector of Christ Church, Andover.
 The Rev. JOHN DOWNIE.
 The Rev. EDWARD LIVINGSTONE DROWN, Rector of St. Paul's, Newburyport.
 The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DURELL, Rector of St. Thomas's, East Somerville.
 The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, d. d., Rector of St. Anne's, Lowell.
 The Rev. SAMUEL ELLIS, Rector of St. John's, Wilkinsons ville, and Missionary at
 Millbury.
 The Rev. SAMUEL MOODY EMERY, d. d., residing at Newburyport.
 The Rev. THOMAS FREDERICK FALES, Rector of Christ Church, Waltham, and
 Examining Chaplain.
 The Rev. H. WARREN FAY, residing at Westborough.
 The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, Rector of Trinity Church, Lenox.
 The Rev. FREDERICK SHUBAEL FISHER, residing at Natick.
 The Rev. FREDERICK AUGUSTUS FISKE, Rector of Grace Church, North Attle-
 borough, and in charge of Trinity Church, Wrentham.
 The Rev. WILLIAM T. FITCH, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Fall River.
 The Rev. FRANCIS AUGUSTUS FOXCROFT, residing at Cambridge.
 The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, Rector of Grace Church, Salem.
 The Rev. FREDERICK FREEMAN, residing at Sandwich.
 The Rev. WALTER RUSSELL GARDNER.
 The Rev. BENJAMIN ROWLEY GIFFORD, officiating at St. Mark's, Natick.
 The Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN, Rector of St. Paul's, Dedham.
 The Rev. CHARLES CHAPMAN GRAFTON, Rector of the Church of the Advent,
 Boston.
 The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, City Missionary, Boston.
 The Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, d. d., Dean of the Episcopal Theological
 School, Cambridge.
 The Rev. LEWIS GREEN, Rector of St. John's, Ashfield.
 The Rev. WILLIAM MANSFIELD GROTON, Deacon, Rector of St. Anne's, Lincoln.
 The Rev. EDWARD MANNING GUSHEE, Rector of St. Peter's, Cambridge.
 The Rev. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, Assistant Minister of the Church
 of the Advent, Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM ROBERT HARRIS, Rector of St. George's, Lee, and Mission-
 ary at St. Paul's, Otis.
 The Rev. DAVID GREEN HASKINS, Rector of St. John's, Arlington.
 The Rev. OSGOOD EATON HERRICK, Chaplain in the United States Army, For-
 tress Monroe, Virginia.
 The Rev. JOSEPH WARREN HILL, Assistant Minister of the Church of the
 Advent, Boston.
 The Rev. SAMUEL HOLLINGSWORTH, s. t. d., Rector of St. James's, Greenfield.
 The Rev. NICHOLAS HOPPIN, d. d., residing at Cambridge.
 The Rev. WILLIAM HOOPER, Jr., Rector of St. John's, Gloucester.
 The Rev. ROGER STRONG HOWARD, d. d., Rector of the Church of the Reconcil-
 iation, Webster.
 The Rev. REGINALD HEBER HOWE, Rector of the Church of our Saviour, Long-
 wood.
 The Rev. GEORGE PUTNAM HUNTINGTON, Rector of St. Paul's, Malden.
 The Rev. WILLIAM REED HUNTINGTON, d. d., Rector of All Saints', Worcester.
 The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS, Rector of Grace Church, Medford.

- The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, Rector of Trinity Church, Bridgewater.
 The Rev. ALBIN BARLOW JENNINGS, officiating at St. Mark's, South Adams, and at the Mission Chapel, Williamstown.
 The Rev. ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON, B. D., Assistant at Christ Church, Springfield, and in charge of the Mission of the Good Shepherd, Springfield.
 The Rev. JOSEPH KIDDER, residing at Germantown, Pennsylvania.
 The Rev. BRYAN B. KILLIKELLY, officiating at the Chapel of the Evangelists, Boston.
 The Rev. THOMAS RICKER LAMBERT, D. D., Rector of St. John's, Charlestown District, Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM CHAUNCY LANGDON, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Cambridge.
 The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, Rector of St. Paul's, Stockbridge.
 The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, Rector of Grace Church, Lawrence.
 The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEABOYD, Rector of St. Thomas's, Taunton, and Treasurer of the Convention.
 The Rev. WILLIAM F. LHOYD, residing in Oxford.
 The Rev. HENRY MACKAY, Rector of St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls.
 The Rev. THOMAS JONES MACKAY, Deacon, Assistant Minister at St. John's, Boston Highlands.
 The Rev. WILLIAM INGRAM MAGILL, Rector of Calvary Church, Danvers.
 The Rev. LEANDER CORNELIUS MANCHESTER, Rector of St. John's, Lowell.
 The Rev. JOHN DAVID MCCONKEY, Deacon, officiating at St. John's, Millville.
 The Rev. WILLIAM MCGLATHERY, Rector of St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.
 The Rev. HENRY AIKEN METCALF, Rector of Trinity Church, Melrose.
 The Rev. NATHAN WATSON MUNROE, residing in Boston.
 The Rev. BENJAMIN F. NEWTON, residing at Ipswich.
 The Rev. WILLIAM WILBERFORCE NEWTON, Rector of St. Paul's, Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM PUTNAM PAGE, residing at Longwood.
 The Rev. GEORGE STURGIS PAINE, residing at Worcester.
 The Rev. EDMUND BARNABAS PALMER, residing in Boston.
 The Rev. SAMUEL PARKER PARKER, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Sheffield.
 The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, Rector of St. John's, Northampton, and Missionary at St. Philip's, Easthampton.
 The Rev. JOSHUA RINDGE PEIRCE, Rector of St. Mary's for Sailors, Boston.
 The Rev. DANIEL S. C. M. POTTER, Deacon, Louisville, Kentucky.
 The Rev. DEXTER POTTER, residing at Cambridge.
 The Rev. GEORGE JARVIS PRESCOTT, Minister of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Boston.
 The Rev. RICHARD F. PUTNAM, residing in New York.
 The Rev. CHARLES ARTHUR RAND, Rector of Trinity Church, Haverhill.
 The Rev. JAMES D. REID, residing at Webster.
 The Rev. ROBERT COOPER ROGERS, Secretary and General Agent of the Indian Missions, New York.
 The Rev. SILAS M. ROGERS, Assistant at St. Paul's, Stockbridge, and in charge of the Mission at South Lee.
 The Rev. EDMUND ROWLAND, Rector of Grace Church, New Bedford.
 The Rev. SUMNER UPHAM SHEARMAN, Rector of St. John's, Jamaica Plain, Boston.
 The Rev. GEORGE WOLF SHINN, Rector of Grace Church, Newton.
 The Rev. WILLIAM W. SILVESTER, Rector of St. Mary's, Dorchester District, Boston.
 The Rev. AMOS SKEELE, Assistant Minister at Grace Church, Lawrence.
 The Rev. SAMUEL RUGGLES SLACK, officiating at Trinity Church, Weymouth.
 The Rev. CARLOS SLAFTER, Deacon, Principal of a School, Dedham.
 The Rev. EDMUND FARWELL SLAFTER, residing in Boston.
 The Rev. FRANCIS WYMAN SMITH, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, West Newton.
 The Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR, Rector of St. James's, Amesbury.
 The Rev. ORLANDO FRARY STARKEY, Mystic, Connecticut.
 The Rev. PETER H. STEENSTRA, Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
 The Rev. JOHN SEELEY STONE, D. D., Emeritus Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.

The Rev. LEONARD KIP STORRS, Rector of St. Paul's, Brookline.
 The Rev. JAMES THOMSON, residing in Brooklyn, N. Y.
 The Rev. EDWARD HYDE TRUE.
 The Rev. WILLIAM PACKARD TUCKER, Rector of St. Paul's, Holyoke.
 The Rev. THEODOSIUS STEVENS TYNG, Rector of St. James's, Cambridge.
 The Rev. ROBERT BOYD VANKLEECK, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Hyde Park.
 The Rev. ALEXANDER HAMILTON VINTON, D. D., Rector of Emmanuel Church, Boston.
 The Rev. TREADWELL WALDEN, Fishkill-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.
 The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, Missionary at Peabody and Wakefield.
 The Rev. JULIUS HAMMOND WARD, Rector of St. Michael's, Marblehead.
 The Rev. WILLIAM WARLAND, Missionary at East Cambridge.
 The Rev. JULIUS HENRY WATERBURY, Rector of St. John's, East Boston.
 The Rev. JOHN LEE WATSON, D. D., Chaplain United States Navy, Orange, New Jersey.
 The Rev. ELEAZAR MATHER PORTER WELLS, D. D., residing in Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM GOODHUE WELLS, Rector of St. Peter's, Beverly.
 The Rev. PELHAM WILLIAMS, S. T. D., residing in England.
 The Rev. FRANCIS WHARTON, D. D., LL. D., Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
 The Rev. GEORGE ROGERS WHELOCK, Deacon, Rector of Trinity Church, Milford.
 The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE, Minister of St. John the Evangelist, Haverhill.
 The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, Chaplain of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston.
 The Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, Rector of the Church of the Atonement, Westfield.
 The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, Rector of St. Matthew's, South Boston, and Chaplain of the Church Home for Orphans.

Bishop	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Presbyters	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	139
Deacons	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8
Total	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	148

II.

List of Parishes.

I.

IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

MAY 1, 1877.

Amesbury, St. James's.
 Amherst, Grace.
 Andover, Christ.
 Ashfield, St. John's.
 Beverly, St. Peter's.
 Boston, Christ.
 " Trinity.
 " St. Paul's.
 " Church of the Messiah.
 " Church of the Advent.
 " Emmanuel.
 " St. Mary for Sailors.
 " (South), St. Matthew's.

Boston (East), St. John's.
 " (Highlands), St. James's.
 " " St. John's.
 " (Charlestown), St. John's.
 " (Dorchester), St. Mary's.
 " (Mattapan), Grace.
 " (Lower Mills), All Saints'.
 " (Jamaica Plain), St. John's.
 " (Brighton), St. Margaret's.
 Bridgewater, Trinity.
 Brookline, St. Paul's.
 Cambridge, Christ.
 " St. Peter's.

Cambridge, St. James's.
 Chelsea, St. Luke's.
 Danvers, Calvary.
 Dedham, St. Paul's.
 Easthampton, St. Phillip's.
 Fall River, Ascension.
 Fiskdale, Grace.
 Fitchburg, Christ.
 Framingham, St. John's.
 Gloucester, St. John's.
 Great Barrington, St. James's.
 Greenfield, St. James's.
 Hanover, St. Andrew's.
 Haverhill, Trinity.
 Holyoke, St. Paul's.
 Hopkinton, St. Paul's.
 Hyde Park, Christ.
 Ipswich, Ascension.
 Lanesborough, St. Luke's.
 Lawrence, Grace.
 " St. John's.
 Lee, St. George's.
 Lenox, Trinity.
 Lincoln, St. Anne's.
 Longwood, Church of Our Saviour.
 Lowell, St. Anne's.
 " St. John's.
 Lynn, St. Stephen's.
 Malden, St. Paul's.
 Marblehead, St. Michael's.
 Medford, Grace.
 Melrose, Trinity.
 Milford, Trinity.
 Millville, St. John's.
 Nantucket, St. Paul's.
 Natick, St. Paul's.
 New Bedford, Grace.
 Newburyport, St. Paul's.
 Newton (Lower Falls), St. Mary's.

Newton, Grace.
 " (West), Church of the Mes-
 siah.
 North Attleborough, Grace.
 North Adams, St. John's.
 Northampton, St. John's.
 Oxford, Grace.
 Pittsfield, St. Stephen's.
 Plymouth, Christ.
 Quincy, Christ.
 Rochdale, Christ.
 Salem, St. Peter's.
 " Grace.
 Sheffield, Christ.
 Somerville, Emmanuel.
 " St. Thomas's.
 South Adams, St. Mark's.
 South Groveland, St. James's.
 Southborough, St. Mark's.
 Springfield, Christ.
 Stockbridge, St. Paul's.
 Swansea, Christ.
 Taunton, St. Thomas's.
 " St. John's.
 Vandeusenville, Trinity.
 Wakefield, Emmanuel.
 Waltham, Christ.
 Webster, Church of the Reconcili-
 ation.
 Westfield, Church of the Atone-
 ment.
 Weymouth, Trinity.
 Wilkinsonville, St. John's.
 Woburn, Trinity.
 Wood's Holl, Church of the Mes-
 siah.
 Worcester, All Saints'.
 Wrentham, Trinity.

II.

PARISHES NOT IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

Arlington, St. John's.
 Boston, Good Shepherd.
 " St. Mark's.
 Chelmsford, Emmanuel.
 Chieopee, Grace.

Oakdale (Dedham), Good Shepherd.
 Otis, St. Paul's.
 Ware, Trinity.
 Worcester, St. Matthew's.

CHAPELS AND MISSIONS.

Boston (Dorchester), St. Mary's.
 " Evangelists'.
 " St. Stephen's.
 " (South), Grace.
 " " Chapel of the Ch.
 Home.

Brockton, Good Shepherd.
 Cambridge, St. John's Memorial
 (Epls. Theological School).
 Cambridge (East), Ascension.
 " (North), St. James's
 Chapel.

Cherry Valley.
 Clinton, Good Shepherd.
 Haverhill, St. John the Evangelist.
 Marion.
 Marlborough.
 Millbury.

Peabody.
 South Lee.
 Springfield.
 West Springfield, Good Shepherd.
 Williamstown, St. John's.

APPENDIX E.

Diocese of Massachusetts.

1877

BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

The Rt. Rev. BENJAMIN HENRY PADDOCK, D. D.

Secretary of the Convention.

The Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S. T. D., Residence, 514 E. Broadway, S. B. •

Assistant Secretary.

The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D. D., Residence, Hanover.

Treasurer of the Convention.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD, Residence, Taunton.

Registrar of the Diocese.

The Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLET, Residence, Scituate Centre.

Preacher before the next Convention.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, Rector of the Church of the Messiah,
 Boston.

Substitute.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, Rector of Trinity Church, Boston.

Standing Committee.

The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, S. T. D., <i>President.</i>	ENOCH R. MUDGE,
" HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D., <i>Secretary.</i>	ROBERT M. MASON,
" ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D.,	JOSEPH STORY FAY,
" ALEXANDER H. VINTON, D. D.,	CAUSTEN BROWNE.

Examining Chaplains appointed by the Bishop.

The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D.,
 " HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D.,
 " THOMAS F. FALES.

Deputies to the General Convention.

The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D.,
 " WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D. D.,
 " ALEXANDER H. VINTON, D. D.,
 " THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D. D.,

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.,
 ENOCH R. MUDGE,
 ROBERT C. WINTHROP,
 EDMUND H. BENNETT,

Substitutes.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D.,
 " GEORGE S. CONVERSE,
 " SAM'L P. PARKER, D. D.,
 " FRANCIS WHARTON, D. D.,
 LL. D.

JOSEPH S. FAY,
 ROBERT M. MASON,
 ALEXANDER H. RICE,
 JOHN B. STEBBINS.

Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

The Rev. THEODOR EDSON, D. D.,
 " ALEXANDER H. VINTON, D. D.,
 " THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D. D.,
 " E. M. P. WELLS, D. D.,
 " CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,
 " SAMUEL P. PARKER, D. D.,
 " ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D.,
 " HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D.,
 " LEONARD K. STORRS,
 " NICHOLAS HOPPIN, D. D.,
 " LEANDER C. MANCHESTER,
 " THOMAS F. FALES,
 " ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D. D.,
 " HENRY F. ALLEN (Nominated),

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.,
 ROBERT C. WINTHROP,
 JOHN B. STEBBINS,
 SAMUEL L. CROCKER,
 WILLIAM S. GARDNER,
 JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.

*Diocesan Board of Missions.**President.*

The BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE, *ex-officio*.

Secretary.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEABOYD, Taunton.

Treasurer.

JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, 13 Exchange Street, Boston.

*Elected by Convention.**To serve one year.**Clerical.*

Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS,
 " H. F. ALLEN.

To serve two years.

Rev. T. F. FALES,
 " W. R. HUNTINGTON, D. D.

To serve three years.

Rev. A. H. VINTON, D. D.,
 " E. M. GUSHEE.

Lay.

D. P. CROCKER,
 W. C. LOVERING.

R. T. PAINE, JR.,
 G. C. SHATTUCK, M. D.

J. S. BLATCHFORD,
 D. B. HAGAR.

To serve four years.

Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D. D.,
 " CHARLES H. LEAROYD.

EDWARD L. DAVIS,
 ENOCH R. MUDGE.

*Elected by Convocations.**Eastern Convocation.*

Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D. D.,

F. C. FOSTER.

Southern Convocation.

Rev. R. H. HOWE,

JOSEPH STORY FAY.

Western Convocation.

Rev. ALEX. BURGESS, D. D.,

CHARLES H. READ.

Central Convocation.

Rev. J. I. T. COOLIDGE, D. D.,

JAMES H. HOWE.

*Massachusetts Church Missionary Society.***Vice-Presidents.*

JAMES S. AMORY,
 MARTIN L. BRADFORD.

Secretary.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.

Treasurer.

STEPHEN G. DEBLOIS.

Executive Committee.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS,
 " WILLIAM W. NEWTON,
 " GEORGE W. DURRELL,
 RUSSELL STURGIS, JR.,
 HENRY S. CHASE.

*Eastern District Missionary Convocation.**President ex-officio.*

The BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

Dean.

The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D. D.

Treasurer.

The Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON.

Secretary.

The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS.

Executive Committee.

The Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,
 The Rev. CHARLES A. RAND.

The Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHER,

* This Society unites with the Diocesan Board of Missions in the prosecution of missionary work, only retaining its corporate existence for the due administration of trusts committed to it.

*Southern Convocation.**President ex-officio.*

The BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

Dean.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD.

Secretary and Treasurer.

The Rev. REGINALD H. HOWE.

*Western Convocation.**President ex-officio.*

The BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

Dean.

The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D. D.

Secretary and Treasurer.

The Rev. WILLIAM MCGLATHERY.

*Central Convocation.**Dean.*

The Rev. R. S. HOWARD, D. D.

Secretary and Treasurer.

JAMES H. MARSHALL.

Committees to report to the Next Convention.*Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.*

C. SHATTUCK, M. D.,	CHARLES O. WHITMORE,	J. P. ELLICOTT,
THOMAS C. AMORY, JR.,		RUSSELL STURGIS, JR.

Trustees of a Fund for the Erection of Churches and Chapels.

The Rev. HENRY BURBOUGHS, D. D.,	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.,
JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.	

*Committee on Hospitality.**Consisting of the President, Treasurer, and Secretary of the Episcopal Church Association, viz.*

ENOCH R. MUDGE,	THOMAS J. LEE,	ARTHUR J. C. SOWDON
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*Special Committee on Christian Education.**Clerical.*

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN,
 " CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,
 " GEORGE W. DURELL.

Lay.

J. GARDNER WHITE,
 JAMES H. HOWE.

Agent for Glebe at Hopkinton.

THOMAS L. WAKEFIELD.

Church Incorporated Institutions.*Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergy men of the Diocese.*

The BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE, *ex-officio*, President.
 The Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S. T. D., 1st Vice-President.
 " WILLIAM S. BARTLET, 2d Vice-President.
 " HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D., Secretary.
 JOHN HUBBARD STURGIS, Treasurer.
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The mode of altering or amending this Constitution shall be as follows:—The proposed amendment shall be presented in writing at an Annual Session of the Convention; and, if approved by a majority of each Order, it shall be acted upon at the next Annual Session of the Convention, when, if a majority of each Order, voting separately and by ballot, shall approve the said proposed amendment, it shall become a part of the Constitution of the Diocese.

ARTICLE XV.

REPEAL.

All previous Constitutions of the Diocese are hereby repealed.

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Notice.

THE Eighty-Eighth Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Massachusetts, will be holden in St. Paul's Church, Boston, on the fifth Wednesday after Easter (the 22d of May), 1878, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

JOSEPH H. CLINCH,



Secretary of the Convention.

SOUTH BOSTON, May, 1877.

Notice.

THE Preacher of the Annual Convention Sermon is expected to make an appeal in behalf of the Episcopal Clerical Fund; and the Offertory on the first day of the Session is to be appropriated to the funds of that Society.

It is recommended to all the Parishes in the Diocese to make a collection on Christmas Day, or on some day in the Advent Season, for the Episcopal Clerical Fund.



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On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the foregoing resolution, together with the Section of the Canon referred to, be printed upon the cover of the Journal.

Title II., Canon 12, Section 1.

A communicant removing from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removed shall not be required to receive him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced.



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THIS being the day appointed for the Eighty-eighth Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts, the BISHOP and several of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled in St. Paul's Church, Boston, at nine o'clock, A.M.

The BISHOP called the Convention to order, and offered the Lord's Prayer and the "Prayer to be used at Meetings of Convention."

A list of clergymen entitled to seats and votes in the Convention, furnished by the BISHOP, was then called over by the SECRETARY. The names of those not present during the session appear in *Italics*.

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NATICK, ST. PAUL'S.

Frank E. Cummings.

NEW BEDFORD, GRACE.

Edmund Rodman.
C. B. H. Fessenden.
Alexander R. Barker.

NEWBURYPORT, ST. PAUL'S.

Nathaniel Foster.
David Wood.
Alfred W. Lord.

NEWTON, GRACE.

Edwin F. Waters.
Adin B. Underwood.
William S. Gardner.

NEWTON, MESSIAH.

Charles Edward Parker.
Walter C. Ware.

NEWTON, ST. MARY'S.

D. W. Cunningham.
S. H. Warren.
C. A. Moulton.

NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH, GRACE.

Otis Stanley.
Oliver Stanley.
Thomas Schofield.

NORTH ADAMS, ST. JOHN'S.

Charles H. Read.
William A. Gallop.
Henry Duckworth.

NORTHAMPTON, ST. JOHN'S.

Lewis Warner.
William Warnock.
Egbert I. Clapp.

OXFORD, GRACE.

PITTSFIELD, ST. STEPHEN'S.

W. E. Vermilye.
J. F. A. Adams.
Frank E. Kerochan.

PLYMOUTH, CHRIST.

QUINCY, CHRIST.

William L. Wainwright.
William Greenwood.
Charles F. Shimmitt.

ROCHDALE, CHRIST.

Elbridge G. Carlton.
James Riley.
George Kenney.

SALEM, GRACE.

Benjamin Shreve.
Daniel B. Hagar.
Leverett S. Tuckerman.

SALEM, ST. PETER'S.

John P. Peabody.
Francis Cox.
George R. Curwen.

SHEFFIELD, CHRIST.

George H. Lemist.
W. B. Saxton.
Horace D. Train.

SOMERVILLE, EMMANUEL.

Robert H. Gibby.
Alexander R. Benton.
Frank G. Reynolds.

SOMERVILLE (EAST), ST. THOMAS'S.

Douglas Frazar.
George Vincent.
Nathaniel L. Pennock.

SOUTH ADAMS, ST. MARK'S.

Horace M. Holmes.
Levi S. Brown.
George W. Adams.

SOUTHBOROUGH, ST. MARK'S.

Joseph Burnett.
L. W. Newton.
F. W. Walker.

SOUTH GROVELAND, ST. JAMES'S.

B. Robert Dounes.

SOUTH LINCOLN, ST. ANNE'S.

George F. Cheney.
Frank W. Bigelow.
Howard Snelling.

SPRINGFIELD, CHRIST.

John B. Stebbins.
James D. Brewer.
George W. Winchester.

STOCKBRIDGE, ST. PAUL'S.

Sanford W. Comstock.
Daniel B. Fenn, jun.
Mason Van Deusen.

SWANSEA, CHRIST.

William Henry Pearce.
Frank S. Stevens.

TAUNTON, ST. JOHN'S.

Samuel L. Crocker.
William Parkin.
George E. Chambers.

TAUNTON, ST. THOMAS'S.

William C. Lovering.
William H. Bent.
Henry M. Lovering.

VANDEUSENVILLE, TRINITY.

WAKEFIELD, EMMANUEL.

WALTHAM, CHRIST.

Nahum Smith.
Rufus G. Brown.
Moses E. Osgood.

WEBSTER, RECONCILIATION.

James H. Howe.
William S. Slater.
James H. Marshall.

WESTFIELD, ATONEMENT.

WEYMOUTH, TRINITY.

William S. Wallace.
Samuel W. Read.
Charles A. Chessman.

WILKINSONVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.

Harvey Dodge.
L. B. Pratt.
Joel Boughton.

WOBBURN, TRINITY.

Joseph McCarthy.
John H. Symonds.
James Folsom.

WOOD'S HOLL, MESSIAH.

Joseph S. Fay.
Eliel T. Fish.
Charles E. Hatch.

WORCESTER, ALL SAINTS'.

Edward L. Davis.
Francis H. Dewey.
Sumner Pratt.

WRENTHAM, TRINITY.

David N. Fales.
C. S. Doggett.
Joseph Gilmore.

The BISHOP then announced the following as the Committee on Qualifications:—

The Rev. GEORGE J. PRESCOTT, The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, MARTIN L. BRADFORD.

The lists of clergymen and the certificates of lay delegates were handed to this Committee.

Morning Prayer, to the *Venite*, was read by the Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D., the BISHOP pronouncing the Absolution; the Psalms for the day, by the Rev. LOUIS DE CORMIS; the First Lesson, by the Rev. WILLIAM M. GROTON; the Second Lesson, by the Rev. GEORGE WALKER; the Creed and Collects, by the Rev. WILLIAM F. CHENEY; the Litany, by the Rev. Professor ALLEN; the 405th Hymn was then sung. The Ante-Communion Service, through the Epistle, was read by the Rev. CHARLES AREY, D.D.; the Gospel, by the Rev. SAMUEL M. EMERY, D.D.; the 190th Hymn was then sung, after which the Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN, from Phil. ii. 4: "*Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.*"

The Offertory was read by the Rev. THOMAS F. FALES; the Prayer for the Church Militant, by the Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.; the Exhortation, Confession, and Comfortable Words, by the Rt. Rev. Dr. BURGESS, Bishop of Quincy, Ill.; the Prayer of Consecration and the remainder of the Communion Service, by the Rt. Rev. the BISHOP of the Diocese, assisted in the Distribution of the Elements by the BISHOP of Quincy, Ill., the Rev. Dr. LAMBERT, and the Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.

The Communion Alms, in aid of the Episcopal Clerical Fund,

were collected by the Rev. JOHN D. ROSE, the Rev. LINDALL W. SALTONSTALL, and the Rev. EDWIN W. GOULD.

The congregation having retired, the chair was taken by the BISHOP, and the Convention opened for business.

The Rev. GEORGE J. PRESCOTT, from the Committee on Qualifications, made the following Report : —

The Committee on Qualifications would respectfully report that they have completed their examination of the list of the clerical delegates to the Convention, and find it correct, with the exception of what is apparently a clerical error in the initials of the Revs. SAMUEL ELLIS and REGINALD S. HOWE, no such names appearing on the clergy lists..

They also report that the lay certificates thus far received are found correct.

For the Committee,

GEORGE J. PRESCOTT.

Resolved, That the above Report be accepted.

The SECRETARY then called the roll of lay delegates, so far as received from the Committee on Qualifications.

A quorum being present, the BISHOP announced the Convention open for business.

Resolved, That, in the election of a Secretary, balloting be dispensed with.

Resolved, That the Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S.T.D., be re-elected.

Resolved, That the reading of the Rules of Order be dispensed with.

The BISHOP then announced the following standing committees : —

<i>On the Admission of New Parishes</i>	{	The Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE.
		" REGINALD H. HOWE.
		" LOUIS DE CORMIS.
		T. T. S. LAIDLEY.
		DOUGLAS FRAZAR.
<i>On the Constitution and Canons</i>	{	The Rev. W. R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.
		" S. HOLLINGSWORTH, S.T.D.
		" THOMAS F. FALES.
		WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
		RICHARD H. DANA, JUN.
<i>Executive Committee</i>	{	The Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN.
		" CHARLES WINGATE.
		HENRY B. MACKINTOSH.
<i>On Unfinished Business</i>	{	The Rev. DAVID G. HASKINS, S.T.D.
		HORATIO BIGELOW.
		WILLIAM T. GRINNELL.
<i>On Finance</i>	{	The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN.
		JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.
		WALTER C. DUFFEE.

The SECRETARY announced, that, with the consent of the House, he had appointed the Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D., Assistant Secretary.

The nomination was, on motion, confirmed.

The applications of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham, and of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston, for admission into union with the Convention, being presented, were,

On motion, referred to the Committee on New Parishes.

Resolved, That this Convention now take a recess till three o'clock, P.M.

Adjourned.

3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Convention met, pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. GEORGE J. PRESCOTT, from the Committee on Qualifications, made an additional report, stating that certificates of the election of lay delegates had been received from several parishes.

The names were called by the Assistant Secretary, and the members took their seats.

The Rev. DAVID G. HASKINS, S.T.D., presented the application of St. John's Church, Arlington, for admission into union with the Convention.

The application was, on motion, referred to the Committee on New Parishes.

The Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE, from the Committee on New Parishes, presented the following Report:—

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, to whom was referred the petitions of the parish of the Good Shepherd, Boston, and the parish of the Good Shepherd, Dedham, for admission into union with the Convention, report that they have examined the documents, and find that they conform with the requirements of the Constitution, and recommend that these parishes be admitted into union with Convention.

E. M. GUSHEE, *Chairman*.

The Report was accepted.

On motion of the Rev. W. H. BROOKS, D.D., —

Resolved, That the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston, be admitted into union with the Convention.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham, be admitted into union with the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. WILLIAM H. BROOKS, D.D., —

Resolved, That we hereby express our sincere pleasure at the presence of the Rt. Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, S.T.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Quincy, Ill.; that a seat at the right of the President be provided for him, and that he be invited to occupy it at his convenience; that the members of this Convention take this occasion to express their sense of the conscientious fidelity with which he has discharged all his duties in connection with this body, their regret at his removal from it, and their earnest wishes for God's abundant blessing on him, and on his efforts in his enlarged sphere of labor.

On taking his seat in the Convention, the Bishop of Quincy made an appropriate address.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D., Secretary of the Standing Committee, presented the Annual Report of that body.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee respectfully present their Annual Report.

The Committee was organized on the fourteenth day of May, 1877, by the election of the Rev. Thomas R. Lambert, D.D., as President, and of the Rev. Henry Burroughs, as Secretary.

The Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D., resigned his position as a member of the Standing Committee, on the 20th of February, 1878, in consequence of his removal from the diocese; and the official connection of the Rev. Dr. Burgess with the Committee ceased upon his ordination to the Episcopate, on the 15th of this month.

Fourteen meetings have been held during the year.

The Committee have signed the Testimonials required by the Canons, consenting to the consecration of the Rev. James Houston Eccleston, D.D., chosen Bishop of West Virginia; the Rev. George Fox Seymour, D.D., chosen Bishop of Springfield, Ill.; the Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D., Bishop-elect of Quincy, Ill.; and the Rev. George W. Peterkin, D.D., Bishop-elect of West Virginia.

They have signed the Canonical Testimonials, recommending to the Bishop the following persons to be admitted as candidates for Holy Orders: David J. Ayres, John A. Berington, Edward Silvain Cross, Alfred Foster Washburn, Edmund Radcliffe Woodman, Augustine H. Amory, Paul Sterling, James Ward Gilman, Thomas White Nickerson, Francis Guild Burgess, and William Harry Burbank.

They have also signed the Testimonials required by the Canons, recommending to the Bishop, for Deacon's Orders, John T. Rose, Walter Baker, and George Endicott Osgood; and, for Priest's Orders, the Rev. William F. Cheney, the Rev. John D. McConkey, and the Rev. Alexander Mackay-Smith.

It was voted by three-fourths of all the members of the Committee to advise and consent to the ordination of the Rev. William F. Cheney and the Rev. John D. McConkey, as Priests, within one year of their reception of Deacon's Orders. It was also voted, by three-fourths of all the members of the Committee, to consent to the ordination of John T. Rose, Walter Baker, and George Endicott Osgood, as Deacons, before the expiration of three years from their admission as Candidates for Holy Orders.

The Rev. George S. Bennett, Deacon, and Postulant for admission as a Candidate for Priest's Orders, having applied to be recommended to the Bishop for

a dispensation from a knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, the Committee, after mature consideration, were satisfied that his request was founded upon good and sufficient reasons; and, having received the Testimonial required by Canon 2 of Title I. Section VI. [2] of the Digest, they proceeded, by a vote of two-thirds of all the members, to recommend the applicant to the Bishop for the dispensation asked.

On the 7th of September, 1877, notice was received, that the office of Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention had become vacant by the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Perry to the Episcopate, and that the Rev. Dr. W. C. Williams had resigned the office of Assistant Secretary, in consequence of ill health: whereupon the Standing Committee appointed the Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D.D., of the diocese of Long Island, Secretary of the House of Deputies, in accordance with the order of organization of that House.

An application for permission to form a new parish in the city of Lawrence — the consent of the rectors and vestries of the Parishes of Grace Church and St. John's Church, Lawrence, being withheld — was presented to the Standing Committee; and a hearing was given to the applicants and remonstrants. After consideration of the same, it was voted that the petition be denied.

The articles of Association, Constitution, and By-Laws of the Parishes of the Good Shepherd, Boston, and of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Oakdale, Dedham, together with statements of the circumstances and need of their organization, have been examined and approved.

The bill of Weaver, Shipman, & Co., for printing four hundred copies of the Rules of Order, for the use of the Convention, has been approved.

For the Committee,

HENRY BURROUGHS, *Secretary*.

BOSTON, May 22, 1878.

The BISHOP then delivered his Annual Address.

Bishop Paddock's Address.

MY BELOVED BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

Since we last met in Convention I have been enabled, through God's goodness, to bestow another twelvemonth of uninterrupted health on such labor for the Church as is the best I can give; and you have continued to second and greatly enrich my labors by another twelvemonth of your patience, loving-kindness, and co-operation. The good Lord grant us in this to increase and abound more and more!

Since the close of the last Convention I have made a hundred and forty-one official visitations, besides taking part in many services and meetings connected with convocations, ordinations, consecrations, and the like. There have been confirmed on a hundred and thirty-five different occasions, and in the parishes or missions named below, 1,448 persons; viz.,—

Newton, Grace, 30; Longwood (two visitations), 7; Weymouth, 3; Boston, Good Shepherd (three visitations), 34; Lawrence, Grace, 40; Boston, Grace (two visitations), 20; Cambridge, St. James's Chapel, 6; Holyoke, 31; West Springfield, 7; Springfield (three visitations), 85; Boston, Evangelists (two visitations), 30; Westfield, 9; Greenfield, 4; Easthampton, 3; Northampton, 3; Amherst, 15; Fiskdale, 8; Boston, Church Home, 1; Hanover (two visitations), 11; Wood's Holl, 5; Gloucester, 5; Beverly, 6; Lynn, 25; Lawrence, St. John's (two visitations), 37; North Attleborough, 4; Wrentham, 3; Peabody, 9; Danvers, 2; Pittsfield, 8; Williamstown, 3; North Adams, 3; South Adams, 7; South Lee, 3; Stockbridge, 8; Van Deusenville, 4; Great Barrington, 8; Sheffield, 3; Clinton, 5; Marlborough, 2; Hopkinton, 1; Milford, 1; Millville, 3; Wilkinsonville, 5; Newton Lower Falls, 5; Natick (two visitations), 4; Ipswich, 11; Brockton, 6; Lincoln, 5; Webster, 4; Rochdale, 2; Cherry Valley, 1; Fall River,

12; Swansea, 1; Lowell, House of Prayer, 19; Boston, Mes (two visitations), 31; Malden, 19; Cambridge, Christ (two visitations), 13; Dedham, Good Shepherd (two visitations), Boston, Advent (two visitations), 87; East Boston, 14; Bos St. Mary's, for Sailors, 2; Brighton, 2; Cambridge, Ascen (two visitations), 20; Cambridge, St. James's, 6; Framingh 6; Cambridge, St. John's Memorial, 7; Arlington, 2; So borough, 6; Chelsea, 9; Boston, St. Matthew's, 50; Bos St. Matthew's Mission, 7; Dorchester, All Saints', 7; Boston, Luke's Home for Convalescents, 6; Brookline, 17; Hyde Park Boston, St. Stephen's, 12; Lowell, St. John's, 23; Lowell, Anne's, 29; Jamaica Plain, 9; Worcester, All Saints', 30; burn, 24; Dedham, St. Paul's, 9; East Somerville, St. Thom 16; Somerville, Emmanuel, 13; Boston, Trinity, 67; Melr 22; Boston Highlands, St. James's, 23; Medford, 11; Bos St. Mark's, 16; Boston, St. Paul's, 25; Boston, Christ, 13; N buryport, 17; Charlestown, 16; Taunton, St. John's, 3; T ton, St. Thomas's, 19; New Bedford, 12; Boston, Emmanuel Waltham, 11; Fitchburg, 18; Andover, 12; Methuen, 1; Bo Highlands, St. John's, 15; Salem, Grace, 11; Salem, St. Pet 32; Marblehead, 1; Cambridge, St. Peter's, 14; South Gr land, 6; Haverhill, St. John's, 7; Haverhill, Trinity, 10.

Of the above, those credited to Ipswich were confirmed, at request, by Bishop Perry; two of those for Brookline, by Bis J. Williams; and forty-five of those confirmed in Christ Chu Springfield, are an anticipation of the class belonging to the y which we are now beginning; but, at my request, the Bishop Quincy kindly made the first distinctive public exercise of his office the confirming of these members of his beloved and berea flock.

A more complete summary of my work will read as follows

Baptisms	8
Confirmations (number of administrations)	135
Confirmations (number confirmed)	1,448
Celebrations of the Holy Communion	22
Sermons preached	150
Addresses delivered	140
Catechisings	12
Other public services	41

Theological examinations, trustee and committee meetings, &c.	133
Marriages	3
Burials	3
Lay-readers licensed (from Advent to Advent)	28
Postulants (admitted 5), present number	15
Candidates for priest's orders (admitted 10), present number	21
Candidates for deacon's orders (admitted 1), present number	1
Ordinations (deacons, 4; priests, 6)	10
Clergymen deceased	2
Clergymen deposed	1
Clergymen received	13
Clergymen transferred	13
Clergymen, present number (bishop, 1; priests, 138; deacons, 9;)	148
Churches consecrated	1
Churches newly opened	2
Bishops-elect, consents given	3
Bishops-elect, assisted to consecrate	1

But one of our clergy has passed on, since we last met, to the "exceeding great reward." James Thomson died in Brooklyn, N.Y., Sept. 4, 1877, at the age of fifty-eight. A purer, more sincere, or more godly man, it were hard to find; and his learning, as well as habits of study, was an example to all of us in the sacred ministry. Steadily failing health brought about his resignation of Christ Church, Andover, in the summer of 1874, since which he has been unequal to any pastoral charge.

Death has brought sorrow into the homes of five of our clerical brethren, calling hence Mrs. Putnam, the admirable wife of the late rector of Newton Lower Falls; the "holy innocent," briefly known, but given forever, of our excellent brother of the Good Shepherd, Boston; the only son, "a dear child," of the faithful rector of Trinity, Haverhill; also the little girl who brightened the sunny home of St. James's pastor, in the Highlands; and the daughter of the beloved rector of St. Peter's, Salem, having consecrated all her maidenly strength and beauty to Him who gave them, has gone to the true *Salem*, the land of peace forevermore. Let the stricken comrades know that all our hearts are with them;

and we are sure that He loves them who chastens them, and will make all these things work together for good.

I note, also, the death of Edward A. Kelley, a faithful lay-reader of St. Thomas's Church, East Somerville, whom I knew well, and honored for his labors and ever-increasing worth, and whom I found, as the insidious disease gained on him, daily setting his house in order, and going down calmly and beautifully to the grave and gate of death, looking for a joyful resurrection. Edward Boltwood, senior warden of St. Stephen's, Pittsfield, whom I parted from in the autumn, as, in very ill health, he was leaving for Egypt and Palestine, has crossed the Jordan, and reached the Holy Land. Confirmed in my dear church in Detroit, when, as a young lawyer, he read his way out of the New-England system in which he had been trained, and into a better, he has made an enviable record of unsullied honor and usefulness in the church and community; and "his works do follow him."

I shall miss from Andover Mr. George W. K. Gallishan, one of the venerable founders of that church, whose interest never died out or wavered, whose "response" in the service was memorable and "primitive." The day on which, this spring, I was in St. Paul's, Newburyport, two of its valued men awaited burial, — Daniel Granger, a venerable man and the faithful treasurer for many years of that parish; and Dr. E. P. Cummins, for many years a member of the church, and a beloved physician in that old city. I find Trinity, Haverhill, lamenting the loss of that true lover and servant of Christ, Mrs. Thomas M. Johnson, my own most kindly host, who has so soon and suddenly followed her husband to the only home that abideth. The exquisite brass tablet in Grace Church, Medford, which commemorates Miss Mary Ellen King, is none too artistic and beautiful to recall a life of which her pastor thus wrote in a private letter: "Surrounded with every comfort and luxury, it was her constant joy to sacrifice her ease and indulgence, her time and her money, in labors of charity among the poor and suffering. For twenty-six years she gave her services as organist to our parish; and no more faithful and conscientious organist have I ever known." Ah! brethren, how must such rejoice in the temple where there is a harp in every hand, and every tongue knows the new song!

Our own Episcopate has lost none; but we feel as if the apostle



Selwyn was ours, so thrilled and uplifted have we been by the story of the conversion of the Isles of the Sea to Christ, so "great a part of which" holy labor and heroism "he was," that, when he laid down his New-Zealand apostleship, six dioceses, with many clergy, and with "churches large and fair," were left where, a half-century before, the brave youth, from his little schooner, had signalled to cannibals his message of good-will to men, and besought a kindly hearing. And then he was ours because he so loved us of this American Church. Other English bishops sent loving messages: he alone brought them. He alone stood in our pulpits, and showed our General Conventions the might of things that make for peace, and the power of the ancient gospel in converting the world to Christ. And as Bishop of Lichfield, after his surrender of his kingdom won for Christ under the Southern Cross, he inaugurated in England our American "Conventions," with joint clerical and lay representation. Great, heroic, holy soul! what a crown of rejoicing has he in the souls which he has won!

As we stand, dear brethren, on this high ground which we reach each year of our journey, and where we all halt for brief rest and for the retaking of our bearings, we look back over a checkered but not dispiriting retrospect. We see, and gratefully acknowledge, that God has kept us, and blessed us too, in the way by which we have come. The Church grows slowly, steadily, demonstrably: I wish it grew as steadily in piety as in statistics. At the General Convention, so fresh in all our memories, we reported 151 clergymen, instead of 129, as when you elected your present Bishop; 14,879 communicants against 11,551 of the same earlier date,—May, 1873; the confirmations during the five years ending to-day have been 6,276 against 4,211 during the five years preceding May, 1873; the baptisms reported to the last General Convention exceeded the number reported to the one before it by 1,500; the Sunday schools now number at least 1,000 more pupils than ever before; and, since my election, twenty-one new churches and parish chapels have been built, ten have been largely renovated, and seven rectories have been erected or purchased; while the amount of money expended for church-building during the last three years is greater than during any previous ten years in our diocesan history.

Nor, if one confines himself to the search for pleasant things,

will the review of the past year prove checkered with trials. It is all bright when one looks at the illuminated face of the new organ in Malden, and also in Melrose; at the beautiful new chapel and parish-rooms in St. James's, Boston Highlands; and the great improvement, equal in convenience and cost to a new chapel, in St. Matthew's, South Boston; to the repairs and decoration of St. Peter's, Salem; to the completion of St. Paul's Chapel, Brockton; and to the consecration of St. Paul's, Natick, which has come into the kingdom through much tribulation. Grace, Oxford, always beautiful, even in its desolation, has been renewed within and without, and a spire built, all through private generosity; (God bless the unnamed giver!) and now services are regularly maintained there by the Rev. Mr. Lhoyd. The doors of Christ Church, Plymouth, are again thrown open; I hope never again to be so firmly locked as for years past. Next to the church, sometimes before it, in immediate importance, comes the rectory; and St. Peter's, Salem, and Messiah, Wood's Holl, during the year, have secured and paid for excellent rectories. Trinity, Wrentham, — a few brave souls amidst much feebleness, — has reduced the dreadful debt by not less than fifteen hundred dollars; and every parish and every able man among us must help it save its beautiful church. Christ Church, Fitchburg, has paid its floating debt of twenty-five hundred dollars; and last week Christ Church, Springfield, made the magnificent offering of thirty thousand dollars for the debt on its valuable property.

But there are shadows enough to relieve all the brightness, and give it a sobering effect. "The times" are no better than last year; and some good men, who have done well for Christ and the Church when they were able, can now do little more than pray for the great cause. The beautiful church in West Springfield is staggered by such a blow. It is a matter of sorrow and foreboding that some of our churches, and possibly ministers, manifest so little interest in that nearest and most pressing of our duties as a Church, — our missions in this our own Commonwealth. The two choice opportunities for offerings, as suggested by canon, sometimes exchanged for one, and often that on an occasion when the plates are expected to bear to the altar another offering at the same moment; the unimpressive notice of a collection, and the half-hearted appeal to a congregation that *does not understand* Diocesan Missions, and, unrebuked,

leaves half the copies of our quarterly missionary paper in the pews, unread, for the sexton to light his fires with next Sunday; the uncanonical omission to read the Bishop's Pastoral Letter to the Churches; the sense of irresponsibility with which clergy and laity sometimes hear of alarming deficits in the treasury, and calmly speculate what somebody else is going to do about it, — all these things are cares that cast heavy shadows.

And then "the times" are driving not a few parishes into that retrenchment which unhappily sometimes begins with the already ill-paid minister, leaving alone, in some cases, the vicious luxury of unseemly music, which, could it be utterly driven out of our churches, would indeed seem almost a sufficient "final cause" for hard times in God's providential dealings with His Church. Not a few of our worthy clergy are forced to a reduction of salary, or to abandonment of their post. Not a few vacant parishes have so materially reduced the salary to be paid, that the places are open only to young or unmarried men, or to men with independent resources. It must work great hardship to the clergy, and often injury to the parishes. It tends to put young men, with no experience, in advance of wiser and stronger men, with families, and thus inverts the proper order of promotion in the Church; and, should there be a mean man of any influence in a parish, it helps a wretched cause, if he can persuade the parish to save money by so seemingly respectable a process, even though such methods must demoralize and break down any ministry.

And yet, dear brethren of the ministry, in many cases this reduction has become absolutely necessary. There are parishes which have to-day not one-half, not one-quarter, the pecuniary ability which they had a few years ago. There are cases where it is either retrenchment, or cessation of church-services. And I honor retrenchment, where the alternative is reduction of salary, or the rolling up of an unnoticed debt on the parish for current expenses, which must, I think, suggest to the minister the saying, "After us the deluge." The future is a defenceless party; and it is dreadful to think that a minister and people can agree to so "eat up" the stores of the years soon coming, that a parochial famine, perhaps death, must ensue on the dissolution of the present pastoral connection.

The educational and charitable work of the diocese is in fair

condition, so far as falls within my official cognizance. It is quite consistent with "malice towards none, and charity towards all," to say frankly that official cognizance of all religious work carried on in the diocese is not my privilege; for to be invited, with all one's neighbors, to see and hear, is not quite a churchly recognition of a Bishop's office. A Bishop in the Church of God cannot so far forget his office as even to seem to give *official recognition* to agencies, which, acting in the name of the Church, within his diocese, and largely occupying themselves with the teaching of doctrine and worship, nevertheless distinctly disallow any Episcopal interference with, or supervision over, the religious teaching, rules of life, modes of worship, habitual observances, devotional and doctrinal books in vogue with such agencies, and pressed upon others' regard and confidence; especially when it has been distinctly declared to a Diocesan, that the solemn warning of the House of Bishops in its Pastoral Letter to the whole Church, against certain specified doctrines and practices, as putting in peril the souls of the people, is not regarded as founded in truth or wisdom, and can be allowed no allegiance nor authority. A Bishop, who is himself under the law, may honestly shrink from responsibility before the Church, for a lay-priesthood so full of power, by reason of the purity, holiness, and sacrifice gladly conceded to some of its members, and yet so independent, and sometimes scornful, of the very law which the Church brings to bear upon all its ordained teachers. The Episcopate, I venture to think, may wisely and charitably withhold its official sanction from agencies in the Church over which the Church has no control. But I will not dwell on so painful a topic as a Bishop's enforced declaration of irresponsibility for Christian work within his own diocese, — work, too, that is so beautiful in itself, in its objects, and in many of its devoted workers, that it would be altogether lovely, would be every minister's joy and crown, if it were only more teachable, loyal to divinely constituted authority, and so more truly churchly.

Our St. Mark's School, Southborough, is doing excellent work, but longs and prays for such an endowment as alone can make such schools strong, and fearless of "changes and chances." The committee on its endowment have seen no chance for hopeful work during such a year and such calls as we have just passed through. And yet no school for boys or girls can rise to *greatness*, how-

ever good it may be, without endowments. The Rev. Mr. Shinn has, with the aid of a winning and accomplished teacher, Mrs. Cochrane, begun (or rather continued) a good school for girls, called the Hillside School, Newton. My acquaintance with the school, as its visitor, gives me good hopes of an institution under such sweet and efficient "ways of pleasantness" as are there apparent. Among our Charities the Church Home for Orphans holds its steady course of usefulness and prosperity. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, an admirable organization, is happy in its most efficient lady associates; in its laborious chaplain, caring for the Home as for a parish, and presenting six of its inmates for confirmation, with two more ready; in its wise and good matron; in its choice new site and building; in short, in every thing but its debt. And by a noble co-operation on the part of some, not all, of our good men, about eight thousand dollars have been raised during the winter, and the debt will thus be reduced to perhaps twelve thousand dollars.

Before I quite leave this topic, I am moved to ask the clergy and laity whether this Diocesan Church has not somewhat forgotten two of our older Charities, whose "building" is ever new, but ever invisible. We have about one hundred and fifty ordained laborers for Christ and the Church in this diocese: of so considerable a number several must always be men of years or of physical infirmities. There are at least ten of our beloved brethren to-day, of whom no one would ask "Why work ye not in the vineyard?" Thank God, not all of them suffer because they work not; *but some of them do*, keenly, shamefully. They would not, if all the churches would send one contribution a year to the treasury of "*The Episcopal Clerical Fund*" of this diocese. And next I remind you of the society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen. Can the truly beneficent provisions of this society be understood by our clergymen, or by their parishes? Do you all understand, that, by the gift of from five to twenty-five dollars per annum, any minister of this diocese can secure at his decease, for his next of kin, an annuity of five times the amount yearly paid, to continue for twice the number of years during which he or his parish has made payment? Besides which, this strong Charity distributes largely over and above its obligations, in needy cases. Nor does non-payment, or removal from the diocese, work loss of sums paid. This old

Church Life Insurance Company is indeed a charity. The parishes should insure every rector who cannot insure himself.

That great interest of all the dioceses, viz., organized work for spreading the gospel of our dear Lord, and multiplying churches of Christ at home and abroad, calls for a brief notice. The General Convention has so materially changed our old modes of legislating, planning, and working for missions, both domestic and foreign, that we must remember that more is now directly laid upon the individual conscience than formerly; and less will be accomplished in the aggregate than heretofore, unless individual ministers and churches do more than heretofore. The importance of the cause cannot be exaggerated; and I pray God we may not be behind our duty towards it. The former members of the Board of Missions were called together at an early day to consider this matter. The meeting did not regard an organization, with committees for special work, as desirable, but issued a circular letter through the Rev. Mr. Fales, the secretary, hoping thus to quicken the Church's zeal and conscience.

Our good Christian women have been led to adopt comprehensive, well-balanced, and probably efficient plans for increased labor for Christ and His missionary cause. Heretofore the Dakota League, the oldest organization in the Church for woman's missionary work, never younger in love, labors, and achievements than to-day, — (O queen, live forever!) this league has been the only authorized agency. The Mexican interest, although in good hands, has chiefly spent its strength in getting a *hearing*. The foreign interest, under the admirable leadership of Mrs. A. H. Hoyt, has rewarded singular skill and mighty efforts by a growing and hopeful success in many of our parishes. But, alas! its president, secretary, treasurer, and working soul, all moved West when that zealous woman went to live in Cincinnati. I wish it were understood that we cannot afford to supply our sister-dioceses with Mary D. Burnhams and Sarah F. Hoyts at the rate of one a year. Bishops Huntington and Jaggard do not view it, I am told, as I do, and are satisfied.

But, under these circumstances, the good Christian women have been led to organize a Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. They will present their own report to this Convention, I presume, and I will not detain you with details. You will find

that every division of woman's work in the two great departments of missions is remembered: and yet the interests cannot easily jostle or conflict with each other; nor will the minister and people be robbed of their right to elect the special cause or causes for which the women of the parish will work. I commend the Christ-like purpose and the well-arranged method of the godly women to the interest and co-operation of all our Christian women and their pastors.

Our Diocesan Missions will soon report. You will see how greatly some of you, dear brethren, need to do your utmost to quicken and enlighten the knowledge and zeal of your flocks. The Board has thought it well to try for this year the system much favored in some dioceses, viz., the asking, in open Convention, of the naming by each parish, as represented by its minister or delegates, the minimum sum which it will try to contribute to the treasury of the board. As it now is, you instruct your board to spend on missions a certain sum; but you fail to put it into our hands before the conventional year closes.

The Board has had a great trial, year after year, in the fact that many of the contributions reach its treasury so late in the year, that it has no funds when the quarter-day arrives, and therefore cannot pay the clergy stipends punctually. Many of our generous and honorable members have grieved over this enforced dishonor, and have sometimes loaned the Board large sums for its immediate relief. But Diocesan Missions cannot afford to allow membership in its Board to prove so costly. And when it became known that the able finance department of our Committee of Preparation for General Convention had a handsome balance in its treasury after all expenses were paid, your Board sent a committee to it; and then appealed to the individual subscribers, suggesting the bestowment of each subscriber's balance for the creation of a Memorial Fund of the Board, as a guaranty and security, to enable us to effect the inevitably necessary loan of the first quarter day or days of the year. The fund cannot be used for current expenses, such use being contrary to the terms of the gifts; so that no conventional year's accounts can be balanced until loans gotten on this security are refunded. The plan met with no little favor; and some givers voluntarily increased their balances returned from the General Convention Fund, which they sent back

to us ; while one Christian woman was led by the circular to make us the munificent gift of a thousand dollars. It now amounts to \$3,462.50.

I feel it my duty, dear brethren, to call your attention to one or two matters of canonical interest. The first is the supposed propriety of discharging from our Journal the proposed amendments to the constitution, and certain proposed canons ; the subject-matter being a provision, first, that none but communicants may be delegates to the Convention, and, second, the creation of a permanent ecclesiastical court. It is now three years since the latter of these propositions came before the Convention ; and the proposed article of the constitution, and also the necessary canons, have been on our journal as "unfinished business," "postponed until next year," ever since. It were better, either to enact the laws, or to let them drop from the record, as they will, if no further postponement be made.

As required by the constitution (Art. 12, § 3), I report that Grace Church, Mattapan, Boston, by failure to report to the Convention, as also to employ, or apply for aid in employing, a minister during the last three years, has forfeited its connection with the Convention.

A careful study of the Journals of this diocese shows many instances of unwise and often irresponsible organization of young missions or enterprises into *parishes*. You would be amazed at the number of such corporations, and the cities and towns where they may be unearthed ; for many of them are quite forgotten. But, as corporations do not easily die *in law*, parishes which are non-existing in the purview of our canonical legislation, quite unthought of by it, may suddenly revive to a legal life, which may work serious injury to the pecuniary, the canonical, and the brotherly interests of other parishes and their ministers. I am clearly of the opinion that it is the duty of this Convention to make such slight addition to its canon "Of Parochial Limits," or in some better way, as may forefend against an important class of canonical rights suddenly rising up in a so-called parish that has been dead and buried for years, and may not be exhumed without an odor that is not what most men regard as the odor of sanctity. I speak not of imaginary evils. It has once occurred among us, that where the existing parishes and rectors had canon-

ically refused consent to a new parish within their limits, and where, on appeal and after full hearing, the Standing Committee, and also the Bishop, had in like manner refused consent, a most earnest effort was made to resuscitate a claimed parochial organization which never had lived long enough to have found a word of mention in our diocesan Journals of the time; whose last religious service was held before half of these clergy before me were born; and which died an early death more than forty years ago. The possible legal vitality of the long-buried body being confidently assumed, it was claimed, that, by bidding it arise, all canonical rights were instantly restored to the revived parish; and thus the canonical refusal of the authorities to a *new* parish was of no moral or legal value or concern to so *old* a parish as the one that so conveniently presented itself at the desired moment. Whether such an opinion be tenable or not, it is the part of wisdom to see to it now, while no case is before us, that no such contravention of the Church's unquestioned mind and purpose, and no such imperiling of Christian charity, be hereafter possible.

The General Convention has been among us for the first time in our history, has produced a profound and lasting impression, and has left us grateful and honored by its courtesies and its hearty recognition of our efforts in its behalf. Our pleasure is enhanced by the conviction that the diocese deserved the good opinion. Our committees were organized almost a year in advance of the meeting, wrought with admirable vigor and system, were met on the part of our people with munificent subscriptions and hospitality, received cordial courtesies from our churches and even from our secular institutions, and, when the Convention was in session, became in a very honorable way "servants to all." And we may honorably rejoice that the Convention could find in this diocese a president and a secretary of the House of Deputies, by whom, it is high enough praise to say, it was served with an ability and faithfulness which left nothing to be desired. That eminent president the Church has now called to its Episcopate; and to-day you discover an unusual number of offices of trust and arduous labor in the diocese, which his consecration has vacated. He has labored much in the Lord, has built his monument in our central city, and leaves us the poorer for his departure. The Diocese of Massachusetts sincerely bids him *God speed* in his new work and office.

I do not propose any review of the spirit or the work of the Convention before those who watched both with keen and discriminating interest. Ye did behold "how delightful it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." You have seen the happy disruption and confusion of all party lines, while yet no concessions were made—perhaps not asked for—in the interest of what previous Conventions have pronounced perilous doctrine and unauthorized ritual observance. I am jealous enough of the honor of this *our* General Convention to protest, in the name of truth and charity, against a public attempt, made soon after the great meeting, to put the Convention on record as a history of secret and successful *management*, and a resulting victory for a little but conspicuous section of the Church. I know that "the Reformed Episcopal Church," so called, delights in that view, and publishes the unmul-tilated text of the injurious letter as what men call in politics a campaigning document against us: if it were true, we are more than vulnerable, we are disgraced. But imaginary facts can beget only imaginary dangers.

The only points on which I would detain you in further reference to the General Convention, besides the new missionary organization of which I have spoken, are the two matters of shortened services and the canon on marriage. Unhappily the well-nigh unanimous wish for the legalizing of the former did not result in unanimous action of the two Houses; and shortened services stand as before, not legalized. But they will also stand as before, largely used, because the practical conscience of the Church prefers efficiency in holy things to canonical regularity. It is a dangerous license. I can only entreat the clergy to avoid that needless disarrangement of services which seems to have no reason or necessity in it; which violates the *principles* of our public worship, and seems so extemporaneous and confused in its order and adjustment as to mar the comfort of intelligent churchmen. We are never more mistaken than when we suppose lay worshippers to be all longing for mutilation of the services in order that they may have time to hear us exhort a little longer, or exhort at all.

The new legislation on marriage is designed to make the law of the Church and the law of God the very same. The Church has always regarded the marriage of a person divorced for any other cause than adultery as unlawful: her canons have forbidden her

ministers solemnizing any such marriage. Now she says that they who (after the passage of this law) enter into such a relation are not admissible to her ordinances and sacraments, as if no such wrong relationship were existing. The abandonment of a relationship entered into ignorantly but honestly, and lived in conscientiously and under the daily-sought blessing of God, and resulting in the growth of innocent and happy home-beings and home-ties, may conceivably be productive of a catalogue of appalling evils, and be a crime in the eye of the law. As to what may be done in such or similar cases of an existing relationship, entrance upon which was not permissible by the law of God, but rescue from which is very difficult, the canon requires reference "to the Bishop for his godly judgment thereupon." This is a very solemn importance to attach to a Bishop's decision: perhaps the responsibilities and trials attending such a decision may help the conscience of the Church to compel, by the law of honor, if not of duty, every minister at her altars to attach something more than a trifling meaning to that ordination vow of submission to his Bishop's "godly judgments," "the Lord being his helper," even where the judgments do not agree with his preferences. But the above is now the Church's law; and God grant that it may contribute to arrest the shocking and corrupting heedlessness of the public conscience as to the sacredness of marriage, the sin of its easy dissolution, and the peril in the prevalent legislation and morals to the purity and safety of the social state!

This is the year, and next July is the month, in which the second great and important Conference of the Bishops of the Church from all parts of the world will be holden at Lambeth, under the presidency of the Archbishop of Canterbury. I have not felt the compulsion of duty to attend it, while by no means insensible to its possible high usefulness to the Church, and to its many and unusual attractions. The Church everywhere should lift up its prayers to the great Head of the Church for a blessing on that important and noteworthy Conference.

I add to this address two appendices, containing such lists and official acts as the canons require me to lay before you; but they will not be read unless asked for.

I now commend you, dear brethren, individually and as a Synod of the Church, to the simple but grave duties of this Annual Session. May peace dwell within our walls, and thus plenteousness within our gospel palaces! The good Lord grant it!

APPENDIX I.

I append lists of interest and value (most of which are required by canon), under three heads:—

I. HELPERS AND SEEKERS OF THE SACRED MINISTRY.

1. LAY READERS.

(Holding License till Advent, 1878.)

Samuel L. Crocker.	Thomas H. Howard.
Frederick F. Sherman.	Henry M. Snell.
Harold Arrowsmith.	J. E. Manning.
William C. Lovering.	Paul Sterling.
Edward S. Cross.	Edmund R. Woodman.
Frank G. Woodbury.	Edward Abbott.
Thomas Mair.	J. Nelson Jones.
Clarence E. Kelley.	Arthur H. Barrington.
James W. Preston.	Andrew A. Harwood.
James W. Brown.	Gustavus Tuckerman, 2d.
A. B. Underwood.	Job Turner.
Edward Cate.	Arthur M. Clark.
Edgar W. Upton.	Edward S. Beach.
Joseph Burnett.	Charles French.

2. POSTULANTS.

George S. Atwood,	Admitted	June 10, 1875.
William E. Hyde,	"	Sept. 10, 1875.
Thomas A. Hyde,	"	Sept. 10, 1875.
James E. Wilkinson,	"	Sept. 13, 1875.
Frederick W. Peterson,	"	Sept. 21, 1875.
Melville K. Bailey,	"	Jan. 5, 1876.
Robert L. Winkley,	"	July 7, 1876.
Henry W. Winkley,	"	Aug. 10, 1876.
Joseph Carden,	"	Dec. 29, 1876.
Gustavus Tuckerman, 2d,	"	March 9, 1877.
Henry M. Tupper,	"	May 4, 1877.
Wyllis Henri Stone,	"	May 28, 1877.
Frederick W. Dennis,	"	Sept. 26, 1877.
John Nelson Jones,	"	Dec. 18, 1877.
Samuel Hodgkiss,	"	Jan. 6, 1878.

3. CANDIDATE FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

Thomas White Nickerson,	Admitted	March 22, 1878.
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4. CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

Edwin Walter Gould (Deacon),	Admitted	Sept. 7, 1874.
George Endicott Osgood (Deacon),	"	Dec. 10, 1874.
John Taylor Rose (Deacon),	"	Feb. 1, 1875.
Reuben Kidner,	"	July 19, 1875.
Arthur Henry Barrington,	"	Sept. 10, 1875.
Charles James Palmer,	"	Dec. 10, 1875.
Jeremiah Jewett Cressey,	"	Sept. 9, 1876.
Henry J. Sheridan,	"	Sept. 13, 1876.
David Jacobs Ayers,	"	June 21, 1877.

Lindall Winthrop Saltonstall (Deacon), received by letters,		June 15, 1877.
John Alma Bevington,	Admitted	Sept. 7, 1877.
Edward Silvain Cross,	"	Oct. 2, 1877.
Edmund Radcliffe Woodman,	"	Oct. 2, 1877.
Alfred Foster Washburn,	"	Oct. 2, 1877.
Augustine H. Amory,	"	Oct. 2, 1877.
James Ward Gilman,	"	Nov. 6, 1877.
Paul Sterling,	"	Nov. 6, 1877.
Henry Evan Cotton (Deacon), received by letters,		Dec. 8, 1877.
Leighton Parks (Deacon), received by letters,		April 27, 1878.
William Harry Burbank,	Admitted,	May 9, 1878.
Francis Guild Burgess,	"	May 9, 1878.

II. THE CLERGY RECORD.

1. CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS-ELECT.

Consents Given.

David B. Knickerbacker, D.D.,	Arizona and New Mexico.
Alexander Burgess, D.D.,	Quincy.
George W. Peterkin, D.D.,	Western Virginia.

Aided in Consecrating.

May 15, 1878. Alexander Burgess, D.D.

2. ORDINATIONS TO THE DIACONATE.

June 20, 1877.	John Taylor Rose,	} in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
June 20, 1877.	George Endicott Osgood,	
June 20, 1877.	Edwin Walter Gould,	
June 20, 1877.	Walter Baker,	

3. ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD.

June 5, 1877.	William Franklin Cheney,	} in Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham.
June 5, 1877.	John Douglas McCord,	
June 5, 1877.	William M. Groton,	
June 5, 1877.	George Rogers Wheelock,	
June 5, 1877.	Thomas Jones Mackay,	} in 'All-Saints' Church, Worcester.
Dec. 19, 1877.	Alexander Mackay-Smith,	

4. RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES.

June 15, 1877.	Lindall W. Saltonstall (Deacon), from	Long Island.
June 19, 1877.	William Lloyd Himes, from	Vermont.
July 3, 1877.	Nathan K. Bishop, from	Connecticut.
Sept. 8, 1877.	Emelius W. Smith, from	Pittsburg.
Nov. 8, 1877.	John A. Jerome, from	Central Pennsylvania.
Nov. 28, 1877.	Alexander Mackay-Smith, from	Connecticut.
Dec. 8, 1877.	Henry E. Cotton (Deacon), from	Connecticut.
Dec. 13, 1877.	D'Estaing Jennings, from	Connecticut.
Jan. 3, 1878.	Frederick Burgess, jun., from	Rhode Island.
Jan. 22, 1878.	Henry N. Hudson, from	Connecticut.
April 27, 1878.	Leighton Parks (Deacon), from	New York.
May 10, 1878.	Frank S. Harraden, from	New Hampshire.
May 11, 1878.	Thaddeus A. Snively, from	Long Island.

5. TRANSFERRED¹ TO OTHER DIOCESES.

June 1, 1877.	Joseph Kiddier, to	Pennsylvania.
July 10, 1877.	Thomas J. Mackay, to	Northern Texas.
July 30, 1877.	William I. Magill, to	Rhode Island.

¹ The date given is the canonical one; viz., that of my receipt of the acceptance of the letters dimissory.

Aug. 31, 1877. William P. Tucker, to Rhode Island.
 Nov. 23, 1877. Francis W. Smith, to Vermont.
 Feb. 14, 1878. Walter Baker (Deacon), to New York.
 March 7, 1878. William W. Silvester, to Iowa.
 March 11, 1878. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D., to Connecticut.
 March 23, 1878. Edward Benedict, to Pennsylvania.
 March 22, 1878. Frederick S. Fisher, to Vermont.
 May 7, 1878. John D. McConkey, to Oregon.
 May 13, 1878. John W. Birchmore, to Kansas.
 May 13, 1878. Francis Wharton, D.D., LL.D., to Rhode Island.

6. DEPOSED.

Jan. 9, 1878. Samuel Cutler, Presbyter, in the Chapel of the Church Home, South Boston.

7. DECEASED.

—, —, —. John Downie (date and place unknown).
 Sept. 4, 1877. James Thomson.

8. INSTITUTED.

Oct. 14, 1877. Henry Freeman Allen, Church of the Messiah, Boston.

9. RESIGNATIONS.

S. R. Slack, Officiating, Trinity, Weymouth.
 William Warland, Missionary, Ascension, Cambridge.
 F. W. Smith, Rector, Messiah, West Newton and Auburndale.
 Alexander H. Vinton, D.D., Rector, Emmanuel, Boston.
 William P. Tucker, Rector, St. Paul's, Holyoke.
 J. F. Winkley, Rector, Atonement, Westfield.
 Thomas J. Mackay, Assistant, St. John's, Boston Highlands.
 A. E. Johnson, Assistant, Christ, Springfield, and Officiating at Good Shepherd, West Springfield.
 S. S. Spear, Rector, St. James's, Amesbury.
 W. W. Silvester, Rector, St. Mary's, Dorchester.
 William G. Wells, Rector, St. Peter's, Beverly.
 J. H. Ward, Rector, St. Michael's, Marblehead.
 J. W. Birchmore, Missionary, Good Shepherd, Clinton.
 R. B. Van Kleeck, D.D., Rector, Christ, Hyde Park.
 B. A. Brown, Rector, St. John's, Lawrence.
 J. H. Waterbury, Rector, St. John's, East Boston.
 William B. Harris, Rector, St. George's, Lee.
 Alexander Burgess, D.D., Rector, Christ, Springfield.
 L. W. Saltonstall, Assistant, St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
 H. E. Cotton, Assistant, Emmanuel, Boston.

10. ELECTIONS OR APPOINTMENTS.

A. V. G. Allen, Missionary, Ascension, Cambridge.
 Benjamin F. Cooley, Rector, House of Prayer, Lowell.
 Amos Skeels, Rector, St. Paul's, Holyoke.
 S. S. Spear, Rector, St. John's, Taunton.
 William C. Winslow, Chaplain, St. Luke's Home, Boston.
 J. T. Rose, Assistant, St. Paul's, Boston.
 E. W. Gould, Assistant, St. John's, Boston Highlands.
 George E. Osgood, Assistant, Christ, Waltham.
 William L. Himes, Rector, St. James's, South Groveland.
 S. M. Emery, D.D., Officiating, St. James's, Amesbury.
 William F. Lhoyd, Missionary, Grace, Oxford.
 L. W. Saltonstall, Assistant, St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
 L. W. Saltonstall, Rector, St. Mary's, Dorchester.
 J. F. Winkley, Rector, Trinity, Woburn.
 A. E. Johnson, Assistant, St. Anne's, Lowell.
 N. K. Bishop, Rector, Emmanuel, Somerville.
 E. W. Smith, Rector, Christ, Fitchburg.

John A. Jerome, Rector, Trinity, Weymouth.
 Alexander Mackay-Smith, Officiating, Grace, South Boston.
 H. E. Cotton, Assistant, Emmanuel, Boston.
 D'E. Jennings, Rector, Grace, Fiskdale.
 Frederick Burgess, jun., Rector, Grace, Amherst.
 Leighton Parks, Officiating, Emmanuel, Boston.
 F. S. Harraden, Rector, St. John's, East Boston.
 B. A. Brown, Rector, St. Thomas's, Methuen.
 J. H. Waterbury, Chaplain State Prison, Concord.
 William G. Wells, Rector, St. John's, Lawrence.
 William R. Harris, Rector, St. Michael's, Marblehead.
 Thaddeus A. Snively, Rector, Christ, Quincy.

III. CHURCHES.

1. CONSECRATED.

Dec. 13, 1877. St. Paul's, Natick, by the Bishop.

2. OPENED ANEW.

Good Shepherd, Brockton.
 St. James's Chapel, Boston Highlands.

3. IN BUILDING.

Advent, Boston.
 St. Anne's Chapel, Boston.

APPENDIX II.

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- 1877.
- May 2. St. Paul's Church, Boston. Afternoon: presided at second session—of the Eighty-seventh Annual Convention of the Diocese, and delivered my Fourth Annual Address. Evening: attended the Diocesan Choir Festival in Trinity Church; a great delight and benefit to the church's representatives in convention assembled.
- " 3. After morning prayer, presided at the Convention until it closed, late in the afternoon.
- " 4. Confirmed 1 in private, for Good Shepherd, Boston.
- " 6. 5th Sunday after Easter, A.M.: Grace, Newton; preached; confirmed 30, and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion. Afternoon: Church of the Saviour, Longwood; addressed the Sunday school; afterwards preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 7. Monday evening: Trinity, Weymouth; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 8. Tuesday evening: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them. This service was, in part, designed for the benefit of deaf-mutes. One was confirmed; and the Rev. Dr. Gallaudet interpreted service, sermon, and address for the benefit of the many deaf-mutes present.
- " 10. Ascension-Day: St. Paul's School, Concord, N.H.; preached in the chapel of this great and noble school.
- " 13. Sunday after Ascension, A.M.: Grace, Lawrence; preached; confirmed 40, and addressed them. Afternoon: addressed the Sunday school. Evening: preached in St. John's.
- " 14. Trustees of St. Mark's School, Southborough, also met a committee.

- 1877.
- May 16. Conference with the city clergy on St. Luke's Home for Convalescents. Evening: in Grace, Washington Village, Boston; preached; confirmed 13 (4 being from St. Stephen's), and addressed them.
- " 17. Thursday afternoon, St. Paul's Chapel, Boston; presided at and addressed a meeting for foreign missions of the Woman's Auxiliary.
- " 18. Friday evening: St. James's Mission Chapel, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 19. Confirmed 1 in private, for St. Paul's, Boston.
- " 20. Whitsunday, A.M.: preached in St. Paul's, Boston.
- " 23. At the Bible House, New York; met with the "Committee of Nine" of the Board of Missions; also at the General Theological Seminary; attended an afternoon and evening meeting of the trustees.
- " 24. Trinity Chapel, New York: preached the Annual Sermon for the graduating class of the seminary.
- " 27. Trinity Sunday, A.M.: St. Paul's, Holyoke; preached; confirmed (at two services) 31, and addressed them. Afternoon: Good Shepherd, West Springfield; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them. Evening: Christ, Springfield; preached; confirmed 40 (including 6 from Dr. Burgess's Mission in Chicopee), and addressed them.
- " 28. At Hartford, Conn.: attended Executive Committee of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry.
- June 3. 1st Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. John's, Jamaica Plain; preached, and administered Holy Communion. Evening: preached; confirmed 16 (1 being from St. Stephen's, Boston), and addressed them.
- " 4. Boston: met Trustees of Widows' and Orphans' Society; also Diocesan Board of Missions. Evening: with the examining chaplains met the 5 candidates for ordination to-morrow.
- " 5. Tuesday, A.M.: at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham; preached, and ordained to the priesthood the Rev. Messrs. Mackay, Cheney, Groton, McConkey, and Wheelock.
- " 6. Wednesday evening: Atonement, Westfield; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 7. Thursday evening: St. John's, Ashfield; preached.
- " 8. Friday evening: St. James's, Greenfield; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 9. Saturday evening: St. Philip's, Easthampton; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 10. 2d Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. John's, Northampton; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. Afternoon: addressed the Sunday school. Evening: Grace, Amherst; preached; confirmed 15, and addressed them. This class was presented by the late rector, — a joyful gleaner after the just closed years of faithful tillage.
- " 11. St. Barnabas's Evening: Grace, Fiskdale; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them. The Rev. Mr. Atwell had been temporarily ministering here with much acceptance.
- " 13. Forenoon: Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge; annual examinations. Afternoon: addressed the Dakota League, in Boston.
- " 14. Annual examinations continued.
- " 15. Friday forenoon: annual examinations continued. Afternoon: at Church Home for Orphans, South Boston; confirmed 8 (7 being from St. Matthew's Mission), and addressed the children.
- " 17. 3d Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Andrew's, Hanover; preached; confirmed 6 (1 being in private), and addressed them.
- " 20. Forenoon: at St. John's Memorial (Episcopal Theological School), Cambridge; ordained to the Diaconate Messrs. Gould, Baker, Rose, and Osgood. Dr. Washburn of Calvary, New York, preached the sermon. Afternoon: presided at the Commencement exercises of the school, delivered the diplomas, and addressed the graduating class.
- " 22. Friday evening: St. Paul's, Nantucket; preached.
- " 23. Visited the new house for St. Luke's Home, at Quissett.

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- June 24. 4th Sunday after Trinity and St. John Baptist, A.M.: Messiah, Wood's Holl; assisted in the baptism of 3 adults; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them. Afternoon: preached.
- " 27. Trinity College, Hartford: two sessions of Annual Meeting of the trustees.
- " 28. Assisted at morning prayers in the college chapel, and attended commencement exercises.
- July 1. 5th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. John's, Gloucester: preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 5, and addressed them. Afternoon: catechised and addressed the Sunday school. Evening: St. Peter's, Beverly; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 3. Tuesday evening: St. Stephen's, Lynn; preached; confirmed 25, and addressed them.
- " 6. Boston: Widows' and Orphans' Society. Evening: St. John's, Lawrence; preached; confirmed 36, and addressed them.
- " 8. 6th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Grace, North Attleborough; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them. Afternoon: Trinity, Wrentham; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- July and August. On the remaining Sundays in July, and during August, I officiated at a boarding-house in Centre Bartlett, N.H.; also, on Aug. 5, at a Baptist house of worship in Jackson, N.H.
- Sept. 2. 14th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Paul's, Peabody; preached; confirmed 10 (1 being from St. Mark's, Boston), addressed them, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Calvary, Danvers; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them. After service, met the Vestry for conference.
- " 7. Boston: general committee on General Convention.
- " 9. 15th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Stephen's, Pittsfield; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them. Afternoon: St. Luke's, Lanesborough; preached.
- " 10. Monday afternoon: St. John's, Williamstown; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, North Adams; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 11. Tuesday evening: St. Mark's, South Adams; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 12. Wednesday evening: Mission, South Lee; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 13. Thursday evening: St. Paul's, Stockbridge; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. During the rector's absence in Europe the Rev. Dr. Parker is again in charge of his old flock.
- " 14. Friday afternoon: Trinity, Lenox; preached. Evening: preached in St. George's, Lee.
- " 15. Saturday evening: Trinity, Van Deusenville; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 16. 16th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. James's, Great Barrington; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them. Afternoon: Christ, Sheffield; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 18. Tuesday evening: Good Shepherd, Clinton; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 19. Wednesday: visited St. Mark's School, Southborough. Evening: Mission, Marlborough; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 22. Ember Day, P.M.: St. Paul's, Hopkinton; preached; and confirmed 1.
- " 23. 17th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Trinity, Milford; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them. Evening: preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 24. Monday afternoon: St. John's, Wilkinsonville; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them. Evening: Mission, Millbury; preached.
- " 30. 18th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them. Afternoon: chapel of Wellesley College, Wellesley; took part in the service with the Rev.

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Mr. Gifford, and preached before three hundred young women, and many of the villagers. This earnestly Christian school is not only wondrously attractive in its buildings and situation, but seems full of honest work and consecration. Mr. Durant, its munificent founder, has welcomed the services of several of our clergy during the year; and he now invited me to supply the chapel during October, with bishops and clergy in attendance on General Convention. Those who kindly accepted the invitation will not soon forget the simple grandeur of the services. Each worshipper has a prayer-book; and the posture, response, and sacred song make the worship memorable. Mr. Gifford of Natick has mission services in a hall in Wellesley. Evening: St. Paul's, Natick; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.

- Oct. 3. Forenoon: Trinity Church, Boston; took part in the opening services of General Convention. Afternoon: Trinity Chapel; first session of the House of Bishops. From this day, until noon of Oct. 25, was generally in daily attendance at the House morning and afternoon, and finally evening also.
- " 4. Thursday afternoon: meeting of the Committee on Canons of the House of Bishops. From this day, until the close of Convention, the committee held, for the most part, daily sittings. Evening: Trinity Church; presided at the opening services and sermon of the Board of Missions. From this time on, I was usually in attendance at the sittings of the board in St. Paul's Church (generally five evenings a week), until Oct. 22.
- " 7. 19th Sunday after Trinity, evening: Trinity, Boston; took part in a missionary meeting.
- " 9. Tuesday forenoon: Trinity, Boston; early communion of alumni of the General Theological Seminary, New York; afterwards presided at the alumni breakfast. Afternoon: special committee of General Convention. Evening: Trinity, Boston; presided at the service and triennial sermon for the General Seminary Alumni.
- " 10. Wednesday evening: Trinity Church; said the opening prayers at the grand "Parish Choir Festival."
- " 11. Committee of Conference.
- " 12. Opening prayers and an address at the Woman's-Auxiliary Reunion, at the Christian Union Hall.
- " 14. 20th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Church of the Messiah, Boston; instituted the Rev. Henry F. Allen, rector, the Lord Bishop of Fredericton assisting, and the Rev. Dr. Dix being the preacher. Evening: Trinity, Boston; triennial meeting of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry, Bishop Williams being the preacher.
- " 17. Trinity, Boston; solemnized a marriage.
- " 18. St. Luke's Day: Cathedral of St. Luke, Portland, Me.; took part in the consecration of the cathedral, having once been a rector of St. Luke's parish; a day of much joy and gladness.
- " 21. 21st Sunday after Trinity, evening: Trinity, Boston; presided at anniversary of the Dakota League.
- " 24. Wednesday evening: Trinity, Boston; closing services of General Convention, and the Pastoral Letter read by the presiding Bishop. After service the House of Bishops met in the chapel.
- " 25. Thursday forenoon: House of Bishops; final session of General Convention closed early in the afternoon.
- " 27. Boston: executive committee of City Mission.
- " 28. 22d Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Good Shepherd Mission, Brockton; preached; at noon addressed the Sunday school. Afternoon: preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 29. Monday evening: St. Anne's, Lincoln; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 30. Tuesday afternoon: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; matriculation of the new class at the Episcopal Theological School, with an address.
- " 31. St. Paul's Chapel, Boston; addressed the Annual Meeting of the Dedham Temporary Home for Female Prisoners.

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- Nov. 4. 23d Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Grace, Oxford; preached, and administered the Holy Communion; a great joy to see services once more resumed in this church. The Rev. Mr. Reid has been temporarily officiating. Afternoon: Church of the Reconciliation, Webster; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 5. Monday afternoon: Christ, Rochdale; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them. Evening: Mission, Cherry Valley; preached; and confirmed 1.
- " 7. Boston: Annual Meeting of St. Luke's Home.
- " 8. Boston: Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 10. Met a committee from a vestry.
- " 11. 24th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Ascension, Fall River; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them. Afternoon: Christ, Swansea; preached; and confirmed 1. Evening: Ascension, Fall River; preached.
- " 12. With a committee of the Diocesan Board met the Finance Committee of General Convention.
- " 14. Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission. Afterwards the corporation met.
- " 15. Thursday evening: House of Prayer, Lowell; preached; confirmed 19, and addressed them.
- " 16. Friday afternoon: met a committee from a vestry. Evening: Messiah, Boston; preached; confirmed 18, and addressed them.
- " 18. 25th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Paul's, Malden; preached; confirmed 17, and addressed them. Evening: Advent, Boston; Mr. Shinn preached, and I made an address at the anniversary of the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.
- " 20. Evening: Trinity, Haverhill; presided at and addressed missionary meeting of the Eastern Convocation.
- " 21. Trinity, Haverhill; confirmed a sick person. Boston; Trustees of the Clerical Fund; Trustees of the Church Home for Orphans; afterwards Board of Council for the Home; also Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission.
- " 25. 26th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Christ, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them. Evening: Mission, Wakefield; preached.
- " 26. Boston: Trustees of St. Luke's Home.
- " 27. Church Home, South Boston: addressed the Annual Meeting and anniversary of the Home.
- Dec. 2. 1st Sunday in Advent, A.M.: Good Shepherd, Oakdale; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them. Afternoon: catechised and addressed the Sunday school.
- " 4. St. Luke's Home, Boston: met with the lady-associates; afterwards the finance committee.
- " 6. Springfield: committee of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry.
- " 9. 2d Sunday in Advent, A.M.: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached; confirmed 7 (4 of whom were from St. Luke's Home for Convalecents), and addressed them.
- " 10. In St. Peter's, Cambridge: addressed the Guild of the parish.
- " 11. St. Mark's, Boston: celebrated the Holy Communion with the Southern Convocation; afterwards presided at a business meeting. Afternoon: examination of a candidate for the priesthood.
- " 12. Visitation of the Hillside School, Newton, with prayers and an address.
- " 13. Consecrated St. Paul's, Natick, celebrating the Holy Communion, and confirming 2. Dr. Huntington preached.
- " 16. 3d Sunday in Advent, A.M.: St. John's, East Boston; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them. Evening: St. Mary's, for Sailors, Boston; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 17. Trinity, Boston: assisted at a funeral. Evening: St. John's Chapel, Jamaica Plain; lectured before the parish Guild.
- " 18. Confirmed 1 in private, for Good Shepherd, Boston.
- " 19. Ember Day: All Saints', Worcester; ordained to the priesthood the Rev. A. Mackay-Smith, Dr. Phillips Brooks preaching the sermon.

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- Dec. 23. 4th Sunday in Advent, A.M.: St. Margaret's, Brighton; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 2, and addressed them. Evening: Ascension Mission, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 24. Christmas Eve: St. John's, Charlestown; addressed the children of the Sunday school.
- " 27. St. John the Evangelist: Christ, Bay Ridge, L.I.; took part in the marriage of a relative.
- " 28. Holy Innocents: St. Peter's, Brooklyn, L.I.; assisted at morning prayers.
- " 30. Sunday after Christmas, A.M.: Grace, Brooklyn Heights; preached to my dear parishioners and friends. Evening: St. Peter's, Brooklyn; with Bishop Littlejohn, I addressed the great and admirable Sunday school at its anniversary.
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- Jan. 5. Boston: Trustees of the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.
- " 6. Epiphany, A.M.: St. James's, Cambridge; catechised and addressed the Sunday school; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Chapel of the Evangelists, Boston; preached; confirmed 15, and addressed them.
- " 7. Forenoon: Committee from the Monday-Morning Clerical Meeting. Afternoon: presided at and addressed the Foreign Department of the Woman's Auxiliary.
- " 9. Committee from a parish. Afternoon: visited the Church Home for Orphans, South Boston, and, after catechising, addressed the children. In this chapel, and in the presence of the Rev. Messrs. Wright, Waterbury, and Winslow, I deposed from the ministry the Rev. Samuel Cutler, he having abandoned this church, and joined the so-called Reformed Episcopal Church.
- " 10. St. Paul's Chapel, Boston, afternoon: prayers and benediction after Dr. Phillips Brooks's lecture in the Sunday-school course of lectures.
- " 11. Evening: St. John's, Framingham; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 13. 1st Sunday after Epiphany, A.M.: preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them. Afternoon: St. John's, Arlington; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 20. 2d Sunday after Epiphany, A.M.: St. Luke's, Chelsea; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them. Afternoon: Emmanuel, Boston; assisted in the services, Bishop Williams preaching in behalf of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry. Evening: St. Matthew's, South Boston; preached; confirmed 49, and addressed them.
- " 24. At Grace, Newton, assisted at the burial-service of the mother of Bishop Perry, who was also the sister of Bishop Stevens. This godly woman, through "the church that was in her house," was the beginner of the noble and strong Grace Church in Newton. Afternoon: Executive Committee of City Mission.
- " 27. 3d Sunday after Epiphany, A.M.: preached in St. Mary's, Dorchester. Afternoon: All Saints', Dorchester; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them. Evening: St. Paul's, Boston; assisted in the services, Dr. Riley, bishop-elect of Mexico, addressing the congregation.
- " 28. Boston: Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School.
- " 29. Met the deputies of the General Convention and former members of the Board of Missions as a committee to promote the cause.
- " 30. Met a large number of ladies to consider the proposed re-organization of woman's mission-work in the diocese. Evening: St. Stephen's, Boston; assisted at and addressed the meeting of St. Stephen's Guild on the occasion of the Rev. A. C. A. Hall's lecture in the course.
- Feb. 2. The Purification: visited St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston; confirmed 2 (1 on her sick-bed), and made an address.

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- Feb. 3. 4th Sunday after Epiphany, A.M.: The Saviour, Longwood; confirmed 9, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. Afternoon: St. Paul's, Brookline; preached; confirmed 15, and addressed them.
- " 4. Boston: Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 5. Committee from a parish.
- " 9. Committee from another parish.
- " 10. 5th Sunday after Epiphany, A.M.: preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them; also brief address in behalf of Diocesan Missions. Evening: St. Stephen's, Boston; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 11. Trustees of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.
- " 13. Opened the Dakota League meeting; presided at the first meeting of the Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.
- " 15. Committee from a parish.
- " 16. Evening: St. Anne's, Lowell; confirmed 1 in private.
- " 17. Septuagesima, A.M.: St. John's, Lowell; preached; confirmed 23, and addressed them; also address on Diocesan Missions. Afternoon: Emmanuel, Chelmsford; preached. Evening: St. Anne's, Lowell; preached; confirmed 23, and addressed them.
- " 20. Boston: Executive Committee of City Mission.
- " 21. St. Paul's Chapel, Boston; address in the Sunday-school course, under the auspices of the Guild.
- " 22. Boston: with the Standing Committee, meet two committees from Lawrence.
- " 23. Met the standing committee adjourned from yesterday.
- " 24. Sexagesima and St. Matthias, A.M.: St. John's, Jamaica Plain; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them. Afternoon: catechised and addressed the Sunday school.
- " 26. The Saviour, Longwood; at the Southern Convocation celebrated the Holy Communion; also presided at the meeting. Afternoon: Boston: Trustees of St. Luke's Home.
- " 27. Met a committee on missions.
- March 3. Quinquagesima, A.M.: St. Matthew's, Worcester; preached. Afternoon: All Saints', Worcester; catechised and addressed the Sunday school. Evening: preached; confirmed 30, and addressed them.
- " 6. Ash-Wednesday, A.M.; assisted at Emmanuel, Boston.
- " 10. 1st Sunday in Lent, A.M.: Trinity, Woburn; preached; confirmed 24, and addressed them. Afternoon: preached.
- " 12. Boston: Trustees St. Luke's Home.
- " 13. Good Shepherd, Dedham; confirmed 2 in private.
- " 17. 2d Sunday in Lent, A.M.: St. Thomas's, Somerville; preached; confirmed 16, and addressed them. Afternoon: Emmanuel, Somerville; catechised and addressed the Sunday school; preached; confirmed 13, and addressed them.
- " 18. Met a committee.
- " 20. Forenoon: St. Paul's, Boston; morning prayers and lecture. Afternoon: committee from a vestry.
- " 22. Forenoon: St. Paul's, Boston; service and lecture.
- " 24. 3d Sunday in Lent, A.M.: Trinity, Boston; catechised and addressed the Sunday school; preached; confirmed 64, and addressed them. Evening: Trinity, Melrose; preached; confirmed 21 (1 being from Christ Church, Boston), and addressed them.
- " 25. The Annunciation: in the same parish confirmed 2 in private.
- " 26. Boston: Trustees of St. Luke's Home.
- " 27. Afternoon: St. Mark's, Southborough; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 29. Evening: St. Paul's, Dedham; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 31. 4th Sunday in Lent, A.M.: Grace, Boston; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them. Evening: St. James's, Boston Highlands; preached; confirmed 23, and addressed them.

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- April 3. Evening: Grace, Medford; preached; confirmed 13 (2 being from St. Paul's, Malden), and addressed them.
- " 5. Evening: St. Mark's, Boston; preached; confirmed 16, and addressed them.
- " 7. 5th Sunday in Lent, A.M.: St. Paul's, Boston; preached; confirmed 24, and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion. The parish is in great sorrow on account of the sudden breaking of its rector's health, and his enforced departure on the previous day for Europe. His good father, Dr. Newton, presented the candidates, and helped us all by his presence. Afternoon: Christ, Boston; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- " 8. Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 10. Afternoon: St. James's, Amesbury; preached. "The venerable Dr. Emery cares faithfully for this church during the great depression of the town and parish. Evening: St. Paul's, Newburyport; preached; confirmed 17 (including 1 in private), and addressed them.
- " 12. Executive Committee of City Mission. Evening: St. John's, Charlestown; preached; confirmed 16, and addressed them.
- " 14. Sunday before Easter, A.M.: St. John's, Taunton; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them; after catechising, I addressed the Sunday-school. Evening: St. Thomas's, Taunton; preached; confirmed 18, and addressed them. This church is suffering grievously, and in the sight of all men, from "wounds inflicted in the house of its friends;" but its faithful rector is cheering it somewhat.
- " 15. Monday before Easter, A.M.: St. Thomas's, Taunton; confirmed 1 in private; also met a committee from Trinity, Wrentham. Afternoon: Grace, New Bedford; confirmed 1 in private. Evening: same church; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 16. Tuesday before Easter: Boston; Annual Meeting of the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.
- " 17. Wednesday before Easter, evening: Messiah, Boston; preached; confirmed 13, and addressed them.
- " 18. Thursday before Easter, P.M.: Emmanuel, Boston; preached; confirmed 7 (3 being from Trinity), and addressed them.
- " 19. Good Friday, evening: Christ, Waltham; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 20. Easter Even: Boston; Trustees St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.
- " 21. Easter Day, A.M.: Emmanuel, Boston; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Afternoon: Addressed the children at the Sunday-school anniversary.
- " 23. Tuesday in Easter Week: Annual Meeting of the Boston Episcopal Charitable Society.
- " 25. St. Mark's Day: St. Mark's, Southborough; celebrated the Holy Communion. St. Mark's School; Annual Meeting of the Trustees. Evening: Advent, Boston; preached; confirmed 64, and addressed them.
- " 26. Evening: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached; confirmed 17 (including 1 from St. Matthew's), and addressed them.
- " 28. 1st Sunday after Easter, A.M.: Christ, Fitchburg; preached; confirmed 18, and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion; catechised and addressed the Sunday school. Evening: preached.
- " 29. Boston; quarterly meeting of Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School.
- " 30. Evening: Christ, Andover; preached; confirmed 12 (1 being from St. Thomas's, Methuen), and addressed them.
- May 1. St. Philip and St. James, evening: St. John's, Boston Highlands; preached; confirmed 15, and addressed them.
- " 2. Evening: St. Anne's, Lowell; opening of the seventh semi-annual Diocesan Missionary Meeting.
- " 3. Forenoon: celebrated the Holy Communion, and delivered a *Concio ad Clerum*; afterwards presided at and addressed the Clerical

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- Conference. Afternoon: meeting in behalf of the Sunday-school work, with addresses. Evening: the missionary meeting; made an address.
- May 5. 2d Sunday after Easter, A.M.: Grace, Salem; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them. Afternoon: St. Peter's, Salem; preached; confirmed 32, and addressed them. Evening: St. Michael's, Marblehead; preached, and confirmed 1; also addressed the people on the pastoral relation this day established through the entrance on duty of the Rev. William R. Harris, the new rector.
- " 7. At St. James's, Boston Highlands; assisted at the funeral of the rector's little daughter. Committee from a vacant parish.
- " 8. Evening: Ascension Mission, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 10. Evening: St. Peter's, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- " 12. 3d Sunday after Easter, A.M.: St. James's, South Groveland; catechised and addressed the Sunday school: at morning prayer; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them. Afternoon: St. John the Evangelist's, Haverhill; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them. Evening: Trinity, Haverhill; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 13. For St. John's, Haverhill, confirmed 1 in private; Boston; Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School.
- " 15. Christ, Springfield: took part in the consecration of the rector, the Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D., as Bishop of Quincy.
- " 16. Evening: Christ, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 17. Evening: Christ, Plymouth; preached, and exhorted the little flock of this decayed and long-silent parish. The Rev. Dr. W. H. Brooks, the former rector, was my efficient helper.
- " 18. Administered the Holy Communion in the same church, and addressed the faithful.
- " 19. 4th Sunday after Easter, A.M.: St. Andrew's, Hanover; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them. Afternoon: Trinity, Weymouth; owing to failure of letters, made a fruitless visitation, not being expected.
- " 21. Boston, forenoon: Annual Meeting of Episcopal Clerical Fund corporation; also Trustees of Widows' and Orphans' Society; later, Annual Meeting of the corporation. Afternoon: Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 22. 9, A.M.: St. Paul's, Boston; opened the meeting for organization of the Eighty-eighth Annual Convention of the Diocese; afterwards presided at the opening services, and celebrated the Holy Communion with my beloved brethren, clerical and lay, who are now assembled in this synod.

The Rev. Dr. Brooks offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That clergymen belonging to other dioceses, candidates for Holy Orders in this diocese, former members of this Convention, all persons holding any office or trust under the Convention, if not members thereof, being present at its sittings, and the church-wardens and vestrymen of St. Paul's Church, Boston, be invited to honorary seats in this body.

Which, on motion, was adopted.

Under this resolution the following appeared, and took seats in the Convention:—

The Rev. S. H. WEBB, Providence, R.I.

" " HOWARD F. HILL, New Hampshire.

" " ELISHA WHITTLESEY, Connecticut.

The Rev. EDWARD A. RENOUF, New Hampshire.

" " THOMAS GALLAUDET, D.D., New York.

" " EDWIN F. SMALL, Waterville, Me.

The Rev. Dr. BURROUGHS offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to Extinct Parishes be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. E. M. GUSHEE, from the Committee on New Parishes, made the following Report:—

The Committee on Admission of Parishes, to whom was referred the petition of St. John's, Arlington, report that they fail to find the approval of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, as called for by the Constitution, among the papers referred to them.

E. M. GUSHEE, *Chairman*.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES offered a resolution that the Parish of St. John's, Arlington, be admitted into union with the Convention.

Which resolution was lost.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD presented the following Report of the Diocesan Board of Missions:—

REPORT OF THE BOARD.

The Treasurer's statement exhibits in detail the receipts and expenditures for the year.

The Board came before the last Convention, May, 1877, with a debt of \$1,735.97. This sum was made up during the sitting of the Convention, and, being applied to the discharge of its indebtedness for the previous year, is not brought into the account for 1877-78.

The receipts for the year 1877-78 have been \$15,644.51, derived from the following sources:—

From Parish offerings	\$6,688 47
" Convocations	60 73
" Individual gifts for current uses	738 50
" Individual gifts for special uses	6,526 41
" Excess of subscriptions for extinguishment of debt, May, 1877	17 53
" Gifts to extinguish the debt of the Board, May, 1878	545 00
" Pledges to extinguish the debt, May, 1878	1,067 87

Total receipts for the year \$15,644 51

Of the gifts which have been made to the Board during the year for "Special Uses," amounting to \$6,526.41, the sum of \$2,963.91 was contributed for the extinguishment of the debt of St. Paul's Church, Natick; \$3,462.50, to constitute a "Guaranty Fund" for the use of the Board; \$50, for St. John's Church, East Boston; and \$50, for St. Anne's Mission Chapel, Dorchester, the two latter being received through an offering in Trinity Church, Boston.

It must be understood that the "Guaranty Fund" forms no part of the resources of the Board for its current expenditure. It is a fund to be borrowed from for the purpose of enabling the Board to meet its obligations during the earlier part of the year, when its receipts are ordinarily small and inadequate, anticipating its larger receipts during the last half of the year, and to be reimbursed by the first receipts of the treasury thereafter, which are pledged to restore and keep the fund intact.

The disbursements for the year have been \$15,644.51, for the following purposes:—

Payment of stipends to Parishes and Missions . . .	\$3,488 94
Special payment to "St. John's," East Boston . . .	50 00
Special payment to St. Anne's Mission, Dorchester . .	50 00
For extinguishing debt of St. Paul's Church, Natick . .	2,963 91
Publication and distribution of the "Diocese" . . .	313 26
Expense account	315 90
"Guaranty Fund"	3,462 50

Total for the year \$15,644 51

Ninety-six parishes and missions have contributed, during the year, 171 offerings to the treasury of the Board, and a total sum of \$6,688.47 as compared with 104 parishes contributing 182 offerings and \$7,317.21 in 1876-77; 101 parishes, 191 offerings, and \$7,561.70 in 1875-76; and 87 parishes, 131 offerings, and \$6,603.70 in 1874-75.

Thirty-seven parishes and missions have received the aid of the Board during the year, as follows: Amesbury, "St. James's;" Arlington, "St. John's;" Ashfield, "St. John's;" Bridgewater, "Trinity;" Brighton, "St. Margaret's;" Brockton, "St. Paul's" Mission; Chelmsford, "St. Anne's;" Clinton, "Good Shepherd;" Danvers, "Calvary;" Easthampton, "St. Philip's;" Framingham, "St. John's;" Gloucester, "St. John's;" Lee, "St. George's;" Milford, "Trinity;" Dorchester Lower Mills, "All Saints;" Millville, "St. John's;" Nantucket, "St. Paul's;" North Attleborough, "Grace;" Natick, "St. Paul's;" Oxford, "Grace;" Peabody, "St. Paul's" Mission; Sheffield, "Christ;" Somerville, "St. Thomas's;" Van Deusenville, "Trinity;" Wakefield, "Emmanuel;" Westfield, "Atonement;" West Newton and Auburn-dale, "Messiah;" Wilkinsonville, "St. John's;" Woburn, "Trinity;" Wrentham, "Trinity;" Rochdale, "Christ;" Otis, "St. Paul's;" Hopkinton, "St. Paul's;" Marlborough, "Mission;" East Cambridge, "Ascension Mission;" Millbury, "Mission;" Cherry Valley, "Mission;" Hudson, "Mission."

"St. James's," Amesbury, became vacant June 30, 1877, by the resignation of Rev. S. S. Spear, now the rector of St. John's, Taunton. Rev. J. W. Birchmore resigned charge of the Mission of the "Good Shepherd," Clinton, April 30, 1878; and the Mission is as yet without a settled minister. "Calvary," Danvers, became vacant Aug. 1, 1877, by the resignation of Rev. W. I. Magill. On Nov. 1, 1877, Rev. George Walker assumed charge of the parish in connection with "St. Paul's" Mission, Peabody, the two being united in one care. The Rev. Mr. Walker has also continued in charge of "Emmanuel," Wakefield, having received the kind assistance, in his very laborious work, of Rev. George P. Huntington, rector of "St. Paul's," Malden, and occasional aid from other sources. "St. George's," Lee, is now vacant, the Rev. W. R. Harris having resigned May 1, 1878, to assume the rectorship of "St. Michael's,"

Marblehead. "St. John's," Millville, became vacant Jan. 20, 1878, by the resignation of Rev. John D. McConkey, removed to the Missionary Jurisdiction of Oregon and Washington Territory. "Grace" Church, Oxford, after a long period of suspended life, has now a settled minister in the Rev. W. F. Lhoyd, who assumed charge of the parish Oct. 1, 1877. "Christ" Church, Swansea, has remained vacant during the year, since the resignation of Rev. N. W. Monroe, May 1, 1877; but regular services have been maintained by the Rev. William T. Fitch, rector of Ascension Church, Fall River.

Regular services have also been maintained in "Trinity," Van Deusenville, by the Rev. Daniel G. Anderson, rector of "St. James's," Great Barrington. On Sept. 8, 1877, Rev. J. F. Winkley resigned the parish of the "Atonement," Westfield, and assumed charge of "Trinity," Woburn, which had been vacant since April 1, 1877. Since Feb. 1, 1878, Rev. B. W. Atwell has been acting as minister in charge at Westfield. "Messiah," West Newton and Auburndale, became vacant Nov. 1, 1877, by the resignation of Rev. F. W. Smith, who was called to the rectorship of St. James's, Woodstock, Vt. Regular services have been maintained, however, by Rev. George W. Shinn, rector of "Grace" Church, Newton.

"Trinity," Wrentham, has remained vacant throughout the year. Regular services have been supplied by a lay reader and the occasional ministrations of a clergyman. Occasional services have been held at "St. Paul's," Otis, by Rev. W. R. Harris, in connection with "St. George's," Lee, under the same arrangement as existed the previous year.

The work at Hopkinton, Marlborough, and Hudson, has been continued during the year by Rev. F. L. Bush. "Ascension Mission," Cambridge, continued under the nominal charge of Rev. William Warland through the earlier part of the year. Since Nov. 1, 1877, the Rev. A. V. G. Allen has had charge of the work as the missionary of the Board. The work at Millbury Mission has continued under the care of Rev. John S. Ellis of "St. John's," Wilkinsons ville; and that at "Cherry Valley Mission," of Rev. S. R. Bailey of Christ Church, Rochdale.

In reviewing the work of the year, there are one or two points to which attention may be called. The policy of the Board has conformed to the action of the last Convention. Its scale of expenditure has been reduced, and brought within the limits of the average receipts from parish offerings and individual gifts during the three preceding years; and yet the Board has been compelled to come before the Convention again with a debt due to its missionaries of \$1,808.02, and has again been under the painful necessity of calling upon its friends to discharge the debt, now happily accomplished.

The number of parishes contributing to the treasury the past year is eight less than for the previous year; and the amount received from parish offerings, \$6,688.47, is \$628.74 less than the receipts from the same source the previous year, — \$7,317.21. This falling off of receipts from parish offerings is due mainly to diminished receipts from one or two of the larger parishes of the diocese. The country parishes have, with a few exceptions, sustained the amount of their offerings. In some instances there has been an increase in the amount over the previous year, indicating an interest and effort in behalf of the work that is encouraging. But a careful study of our source of income for the year reveals very strikingly how much yet remains to be done to secure a very much more general recognition of the work, and its claim on the part of our parishes

Our present resources consist much too largely of the large and generous gifts of a few individuals, who bear the chief part of the burden in carrying on the work. As an illustration of this fact, the instance may be cited of one parish credited with an offering of \$1,155; the whole sum, less \$3, being contributed by five individuals. In case of another parish, credited with \$528.03, \$450 is contributed by two individuals: the balance of \$78.03 represents the actual offering of the parish at large. These instances are cited only to illustrate to how limited an extent, in our large and wealthier parishes, the mass of the parishioners are reached for the purpose of securing support for this work. We need the large and generous gifts of the few who have the means and the heart to give (without them the work of the Board could not be done); but we want also the *smaller gifts of the many*. Notwithstanding that the offerings of the parishes have been less than in the previous year, and our resources consequently insufficient for the current and ordinary work of the Board, the very encouraging fact appears, that *a considerably larger sum has been paid into the treasury of the Board the past year than in any previous year.*

\$2,963.91 of the amount required to extinguish the debt of "St. Paul's" Church, Natick, has been contributed by special gifts for this purpose, through the treasury of the Board, and may justly be included in the record of its year's work. The present amount of our "Guaranty Fund," \$3,462.50, is the aggregate of many individual gifts to the Board for this special purpose; and though, as already stated, this fund constitutes no addition to the income or resources of the Board as applicable to its current expenditure, it furnishes the Board with a very important resource for a more prompt discharge of its obligations, and consequently a more efficient prosecution of its work. All of these many individual gifts during the year, for special objects within the province of the Board, make together the very considerable sum of \$6,526.41, which must be counted among the gifts of the year to the Board. They are acknowledged with gratitude, and they afford much of encouragement for the future.

In submitting this Report to the Convention the Board begs to accompany it with the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That, notwithstanding the fact that the offerings of the parishes of the diocese for the work of Diocesan Missions have somewhat fallen off, and have been insufficient for its needs during the past year, the Convention recognizes with gratitude and encouragement the large gifts which have been made to the Board during the year for special uses, securing thereby the complete extinguishment of a large and grievous parish debt, and the creation of a "Guaranty Fund," insuring a more efficient prosecution of the work of the Board in the future. While gratefully appreciating the encouragement which the results of the past year afford, the Convention recognizes the imperative need for more earnest effort on the part of a large proportion of the parishes of the diocese in support of the work of the Board, and for such an increase in the amount of parish offerings as will insure adequate resources, and enable the Board to discharge its yearly obligations without incurring debt; and, to such increased effort in behalf of the Diocesan Board of Missions, the Convention hereby pledges itself.

Resolved, That, in the judgment of the Convention, the sum of \$12,000 will be needed from the contributions of the parishes to enable the Board to carry on the work of the coming year with efficiency.

Resolved, That the parishes, and all congregations where regular services of this Church are maintained, be now called upon in alphabetical order by the Secretary of the Convention, to state the amount which they may severally be expected to contribute to the treasury of the Board the coming year.

Which Report was, on motion, accepted.

The first resolution with which the above Report concludes was, on motion, adopted.

The ASSISTANT SECRETARY called over the names of the lay delegates from the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston, who appeared, and took their seats: J. D. Williams French, Matthew H. Graham, Richard Middleton.

Also the names of the lay delegates from the Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham: Thomas Newsome, William D. Welch, Ephraim L. Frothingham, jun.

The second resolution appended to the Report of the Diocesan Board of Missions was adopted.

The Rev. GEORGE J. PRESCOTT, from the Committee on Qualifications, made an additional Report:—

The Committee on Qualifications would make a supplementary report, that a certificate has been received for Mr. Alexander R. Benton, which is defective in two points: 1. It does not state that he was elected in accordance with the requirements of Section II., Canon, 2, Title 1; 2. It does not state that he is a stated worshipper in that parish. The Committee has reason to believe that a proper certificate has been prepared, but is not at hand.

The Committee would further report, that Mr. Phillip R. Ammidon of St. James's, North Cambridge, is certified as having been duly elected as a delegate to this Convention, but is unprovided with required certificate, owing to the delay of the mail.

The Committee would recommend that these delegates be admitted to their seats in the Convention.

For the Committee,

GEO. J. PRESCOTT, *Chairman*.

The third resolution appended to the Report of the Diocesan Board of Missions being before the House, during the discussion of the question the Convention voted to take a recess.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, 9 O'CLOCK, A.M., May 23.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer to the Creed was read by the Rev. SAMUEL HOLLINGSWORTH, D.D.; the Lessons, by the Rev. CHARLES A. RAND; and the conclusion of Morning Service, by the Rev. ROGER

S. HOWARD, D.D. The 407th hymn was then sung; after which the BISHOP offered Prayer, and pronounced the Benediction.

The BISHOP called the Convention to order.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. GEORGE J. PRESCOTT, from the Committee on Qualifications, made an additional Report:—

The Committee on Qualifications would further report, that the certificates of several lay delegates, not present at the opening of the Convention, have been received, and found correct.

The Committee would also move, that Mr. George H. Sparhawk of Grace Church, Fiskdale, be admitted to a seat in the Convention, as there is reason to believe that he is duly qualified, although the required certificate is not at hand.

For the Committee,

GEO. J. PRESCOTT, *Chairman*.

On motion of Rev. G. J. PRESCOTT, Mr. GEORGE H. SPARHAWK was admitted to a seat.

The Rev. E. M. GUSHEE offered the following resolution as an amendment to the third resolution appended to the Report of the Diocesan Board of Missions:—

Resolved, That the words "and all congregations where regular services of this Church are maintained" be inserted after the word "parishes."

The third resolution, as thus amended, was then adopted by the Convention.

The SECRETARY then called over the names of the parishes in and out of union with the Convention, the clergymen or lay delegates responding, with the following result:—

Amherst, Grace . . .	\$30 00	Greenfield, St. James's . .	\$35 00
Andover, Christ . . .	25 00	Hanover, St. Andrew's . .	50 00
Boston, Christ . . .	50 00	Haverhill, Trinity . . .	25 00
Boston, Messiah . . .	100 00	Hopkinton, St. Paul's . .	9 00
Boston (Highl'ds), St. John's	50 00	Ipswich, Ascension . . .	10 00
Boston (East), St. John's .	20 00	Lawrence, Grace . . .	50 00
Boston (Brighton), St. Margaret's . . .	20 00	Lawrence, St. John's . .	25 00
Boston, Trinity . . .	1,540 00	Lynn, St. Stephen's . . .	30 00
Bridgewater, Trinity . .	30 00	Malden, St. Paul's . . .	50 00
Cambridge, St. Peter's . .	50 00	Melrose, Trinity . . .	20 00
Danvers, Calvary . . .	20 00	Nantucket, St. Paul's . .	25 00
Dedham, St. Paul's . . .	100 00	Newburyport, St. Paul's .	50 00
Easthampton, St. Philip's .	10 00	Newton, Grace . . .	50 00
Fitchburg, Christ . . .	60 00	North Attleborough, Grace .	23 00
Framingham, St. John's .	30 00	North Adams, St. John's .	10 00
		Northampton, St. John's .	15 00

Pittsfield, St. Stephen's . . .	\$50 00	Wilkinsonville; St. John's . . .	\$20 00
Quincy, Christ . . .	25 00	Woburn, Trinity . . .	15 00
Salem, Grace . . .	55 00	Wood's Holl, Messiah . . .	70 00
Salem, St. Peter's . . .	100 00	Worcester, All Saints' . . .	100 00
Somerville, St. Thomas's . . .	40 00	Arlington, St. John's . . .	20 00
Southborough, St. Mark's . . .	75 00	Boston, Good Shepherd . . .	40 00
South Groveland, St. James's . . .	20 00	Chelmsford, St. Anne's . . .	10 00
Stockbridge, St. Paul's . . .	100 00	Boston, St. Stephen's . . .	10 00
Taunton, St. John's . . .	50 00	Brockton, St. Paul's . . .	20 00
Taunton, St. Thomas's . . .	100 00	Cambridge, St. John's M.	
Wakefield, Emmanuel . . .	10 00	Chapel . . .	50 00
Waltham, Christ . . .	50 00	Peabody, St. Paul's . . .	20 00
Webster, Reconciliation . . .	125 00		

The Rev. Dr. HOWARD, Dean of the Central Convocation, offered the following Annual Report of that body :—

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL CONVOCATION.

TO THE RT. REV. THE BISHOP AND THE CONVENTION.

The Central Convocation respectfully reports that it has held three meetings during the last year; one at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton, and two at the Church of the Reconciliation, Webster. The Rev. Dr. Howard has held the office of Dean, and the Rev. Dr. Coolidge and Mr. James H. Howe have been its members of the Diocesan Board of Missions. The cordial reception and kind hospitality extended by the parishes towards the visiting clergy are gratefully mentioned. The attendance of parishioners at one of the evening missionary meetings was excellent. It is much to be wished that they were more generally attended. The clergy need the encouragement, and the people the information; and all need the quickening they are meant to convey.

F. L. BUSH, *Secretary*.

MAY 6, 1878.

The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS, Secretary of the Eastern Convocation, made the following Annual Report of that body :—

The Eastern Convocation respectfully reports to the Convention as follows :—

Meetings have been held at the stated times at St. John's, Framingham; Trinity, Haverhill, and the House of Prayer, Lowell. The September meeting was omitted on account of the General Convention.

The attendance has been good, though not as large on the part of the clergy as could be desired; while something remains to be done to produce an increased interest on the part of the laity.

An earnest desire on the part of Convocation to work as far as possible for missions, and to further the extension of the Church in the unoccupied places of the diocese, has resulted in a careful consideration of its power as an auxiliary, and the opportunity for work as defined by the clause, "auxiliaries in exploring missionary fields."

The whole subject was earnestly discussed, and a Committee of Exploration appointed to canvas towns and villages in Essex and Middlesex Counties, where no mission of the Church is at present established; the object not

being the formation of parishes or mission stations, but the discovery and care of scattered families of church people, often members originally of the mother Church, and living at a distance from any settled parish. Members of this Committee went forth, two and two, and canvassed carefully several of these towns with most encouraging results. At the next meeting a painstaking and elaborate report, presenting statistical information of great interest, showed how pressing was the demand, how much could be done, in this neglected portion of the vineyard. Action was taken looking towards a permanent organization for carrying on this work, reaching, if possible, every part of the territory covered by Convocation.

The substance of this report was printed in the "Diocese," as also the recommendations of the Committee. Convocation has also brought the subject to the attention of the Board of Missions, urging the appointment of an itinerant priest, to have full charge of the work, visiting from house to house, holding occasional services, administering the Holy Sacraments, distributing prayer-books and Church publications, bringing families under the care of the nearest rector: in short, using every means to restore the wandering sheep to the fold. A later report from the Exploring Committee gives the following cheering result: "The following towns have been canvassed, Ayer, Billerica, Concord, Groton, Holliston, Lynnfield, Middleton, Sudbury, Stow, Tewksbury, and Wilmington. About one hundred names of church people and families have been obtained, and placed, most of them, under the pastoral care of neighboring clergymen."

Believing that the mission of this Church is to every community, we commend this special channel of missionary activity to the attention of other portions of the diocese as represented by Convocations. In taking up this neglected duty we shall, at least, be fulfilling the weighty admonition in the Exhortation for the Ordering of Priests: "To seek for Christ's sheep that are dispersed abroad, and for his children who are in the midst of this naughty world, that they may be saved through Christ forever."

WM. G. WELLS, *Secretary.*

Rev. REGINALD H. HOWE, from the Southern Convocation, presented the Annual Report of that association: —

The Southern Convocation has to report that it has held meetings during the year at St. Mary's Church, Dorchester; Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl; St. Mark's Church, Boston; the Church of our Saviour, Longwood; and the Church of the Ascension, Fall River. On each occasion a collection has been taken for the Board of Missions of the diocese. The attendance of the clergy has varied from eight to seventeen. Several members have been lost by removal; but twelve new ones have been gained, and the whole number is now forty-three.

At the Annual Meeting, which was held just after Convention last year, the Rev. Charles H. Learoyd was elected Dean, and the Rev. R. H. Howe, Secretary and Treasurer; to represent the Convocation on the Diocesan Board of Missions, Mr. Joseph Story Fay and the Secretary. The same persons were re-elected for the current year at the Annual Meeting held last week at Fall River.

It is believed that the sessions of the Convocation have been useful in quickening the missionary life of the parishes where they have been held; and

The clergy certainly have been benefited by mutual counsel and the discussion of the various important subjects that have been appointed. In both these ways it has endeavored to co-operate with the Diocesan Board.

REGINALD H. HOWE, *Secretary*.

CAUSTEN BROWNE offered the following resolution : —

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as relates to certain proposed amendments to the Constitution and Canons, pending as unfinished business, be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

Which was passed.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN, from the Committee on Christian Education, presented the following Report : —

The Committee on Christian Education report, that, as a Committee, they have had no opportunity during the past year for the prosecution of the work intrusted to them.

Organized originally for the purpose of securing the establishment of a Diocesan School for Girls, the scope of the Committee's work was enlarged to include Christian education in general.

As no definite instructions have been given the Committee by the Convention, we suppose our duties to be those defined by the joint Committee on Christian Education appointed by the General Convention, which may be thus stated: 1st, To encourage the formation of schools in which there may be the union of true Christian nurture with refined and thorough intellectual culture; 2d, To lend a firm support to the common schools, uniting with Christian men of other communions to secure in these common schools as large a measure of wholesome religious influence as may be expedient and attainable.

There is no subject more important than the right education of children, especially at a time when there are so many theories advanced, and so many experiments in progress.

It is not the hope of this Committee to bring before this Convention any one plan which will secure the indorsement of all those who have given most attention to the subject. It is proper, however, for us to press upon the attention of the Church the great duty of seeing that the religious training of her sons and daughters is concurrent with their intellectual training, and to urge the clergy to examine the methods adopted in their several localities, and to infuse into them some religious spirit. The tendency of the day is to secularize education, and to regard religion as an intrusion.

While it may not be possible, especially in schools supported at the public expense, to have much direct religious instruction imparted to the children, it is possible for the clergy to shape the sentiment of the people in favor of the employment of devout men and women as teachers, and to prevent the spread of atheistic and materialistic views of education, which now constitute the danger of our day.

In view of the very small amount of religious instruction now given in our common schools, it certainly seems that the clergy should give increased attention to Sunday-school work, catechetical classes, and such other opportunities as they have for bringing Christian truth into direct contact with the minds and hearts of the young.

While, up to the present date, the establishment of a Diocesan School for Girls, as recommended by the Bishop, has not been accomplished, the Committee are happy to report that the beginning of a school for girls under the auspices of the Church has been made. We refer to the Church School at Newton under the management of Mrs. S. M. Cochrane. It was organized in the autumn of 1877; and its first year, now closing, has been one of very gratifying success. It offers a pleasant home, and provides excellent educational facilities for its pupils. With increased patronage it may grow into an institution which the Diocese would be willing to adopt as one of its own institutions, holding to the Diocese of Massachusetts a relationship similar to that now held by St. Mark's School for Boys.

G. W. SHINN, CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, GEORGE W. DURELL, JAMES S. STONE, J. GARDNER WHITE,	}	Committee.
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The Report was, on motion, accepted.

The Rev. Dr. LANGDON, from the Committee on the Responsibilities of the Church in this Diocese to the General Missionary Agencies of the Church, offered the following Report: —

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to consider the subject of the Responsibilities of the Church in this Diocese to the General Missionary Agencies of the Church respectfully report, —

Your Committee met soon after the adjournment of the last Convention; but, in view of the fact that important changes in the missionary system of the Church were anticipated from the then approaching General Convention, they did not think, that, pending these changes, they were in possession of the materials on which to base any judgment of their own. Similar considerations still further postponed the conclusions of your Committee, while they awaited information of the results which would follow upon the changes so inaugurated.

Meantime the Board of Managers in charge of the general missions of the Church requested the members of the House of Deputies, and those clergy and laymen who had been nominated for appointment, to represent the diocese on the old Board of Missions, to act as a special Diocesan Committee on General Missions; thus covering the very ground of the subject now under examination. These gentlemen were, on the 29th of January last, convened for consultation by the Bishop of the diocese, and accepted the trust thus committed to them. The appointment of this body has thus anticipated any further special consideration of the subject by your present Committee.

Your Committee do not, therefore, feel that it is expedient for them to propose any plan of their own for Diocesan action in reference to the general missionary responsibilities of the Church, and, without further report, respectfully ask to be discharged.

WM. CHAUNCY LANGDON, *Chairman*.
THOMAS F. FALES.
ARTHUR C. A. HALL.
ROBT. TREAT PAINE, JUN

The Report was accepted ; and the Committee was discharged.

The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, from the Committee on Printing, presented the following Report : —

The Committee appointed at the last Diocesan Convention to reduce the expenditure for the printing of the diocese beg leave to report, that, soon after the adjournment of the Convention, a meeting was held, and, after careful consideration of proposals from several parties, it was concluded to give the printing of the Journal of the Convention to the lowest bidder. It was also concluded to omit unnecessary portions of the Journal Appendix, and to economize space by closer printing, and the use of abbreviations where practicable. Though other changes might have further reduced the cost, yet it was thought best, as far as possible, to keep up the standard of former Journals in press-work, paper, and type. As a result of the work of the Committee, the cost of printing the Journal of the Convention was reduced from seven hundred and ninety-six dollars and seventy-nine cents (\$796.79) to four hundred and sixty dollars and twenty-five cents (\$460.25), making a saving of \$336.54 to the Convention. Other items of printing were not criticised by the Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH JENKS, <i>Chairman</i> ,	} <i>Com. on Printing.</i>
GEO. W. SHINN,	
JOS. H. CLINCH,	

Boston, May 22, 1878.

The Report was accepted, and the Committee continued for another year.

The hour of eleven having arrived, the Convention proceeded to elections.

On motion of the Rev. W. C. WINSLOW, —

Resolved, That, in the election of Treasurer, Rule 18 be suspended.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROLD be re-elected.

On motion of Dr. SHATTUCK, —

Resolved, That balloting be dispensed with in the election of Registrar.

On motion of the same, the Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLET was re-elected.

The CHAIR appointed the Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON, the Rev. SAMUEL ELLIS, and the Rev. W. C. WINSLOW, Tellers on the clerical vote for a Standing Committee,

And Messrs. ADIN B. UNDERWOOD, JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, and Dr. COGSWELL, Tellers of the lay vote for a Standing Committee.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, —

Resolved, That a Committee of Nomination be appointed to fill vacancies in Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

The CHAIR appointed as that Committee the Rev. ~~CHARLES~~ AREY, D.D., the Rev. LEONARD K. STORRS, and C. C. CONANT.

The Treasurer presented his Annual Report, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Rev. WILLIAM H. BROOKS, D.D., presented the Annual Report of the Registrar of the diocese.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR.

During the last conventional year there have been contributed to this department as follows: A bundle of papers of the Standing Committee of this diocese, from May, A.D. 1876, to May, A.D. 1877, by the Rev. Secretary of that Committee; also the Journal of the Eighty-seventh Convention of this diocese, by the Rev. Secretary thereof; and, by the Secretaries or Registrars of their respective dioceses, Journals for A.D. 1877 of the dioceses of Albany (also 1878), Central Pennsylvania, Delaware, Florida, Illinois, Kentucky, Long Island, Maine, Mississippi, New Jersey, Northern New Jersey, Pittsburgh, Tennessee, Vermont, and Wisconsin. Copies of the Journal of this diocese have been sent in return.

The Wardens and Vestry of Trinity Church, in this city, have also presented a bound volume, containing Consecration Services of that building, with the Sermon preached by the Rev. Dr. Vinton, and an Historical Sermon by the Rev. Phillips Brooks.

The Rev. William R. Huntington, D.D., has sent to this department an "Historical Sketch of All Saints' Church, Worcester, Mass., illustrated by ten heliotypes." This being in sheets, it was decided to have it bound, which was done.

There has been added to the collections of the Registrar "The [Boston] Congregationalist" of Nov. 14, A.D. 1877, containing a letter from the Rev. Samuel Cutler to the Bishop of this diocese, in which the writer abandons the Protestant Episcopal Church. It is a true saying, and venerable from its antiquity, that "The Church is an anvil that hath worn out many a hammer."

In the year 1822 an unsuccessful attempt was made to alienate the church-building and other property of St. Michael's Church, Marblehead, Mass. A manuscript account of this attempt was given to the Registrar, and has, by him, been placed among the books and papers of this department.

The "Form of Prayer at the Laying of the Corner-stone of the House of Prayer" has been presented by the Rev. B. F. Cooley.

Mr. T. Whittaker, bookseller, New York, has given seven pamphlets. Their titles are recorded in the Church Registrar's Catalogue, but need not be copied into this Report.

From the necessity of the case, the books and papers of this department are in four distinct places. There is, therefore, little encouragement in endeavors to increase the collection.

The Report was accepted.

Dr. SHATTUCK, from the Committee on the Increase of Episcopal Fund, made the following Report:—

The Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund beg leave to report

that they have persevered during the year in making appeals and exhortations to delinquent parishes. The duty and the privilege of making personal efforts and sacrifices to maintain the institutions of the Church have not in time past been sufficiently impressed upon our people. Very many were content to be indebted to the exertions and contributions of their more zealous brethren for the blessings flowing from the Episcopate. Thus a few have been burdened, whilst many have not learned how great their advantages are as members of an Episcopal Church. Everybody appreciates that for which he has labored, sacrificed, or suffered. Every man, woman, and child in the diocese is interested in the Church, with its presiding officer, the Bishop, and should do something to show their interest and gratitude. Your Committee would like to have two contributions taken up every year for the support of the Bishop, in every parish which has not contributed its quota; and that, on such occasions, especial sermons should be preached, in which the distinctive institutions and advantages of the Episcopal Church should be set forth; and every man, woman, and child should be told that they will have to give account as to their deeds and gifts in upholding and maintaining institutions which are the vehicles of so great blessings. And, if any are poor, so much the greater merit in giving, so much greater the reward. The rich men who put gifts into the treasury from their abundance received no commendation from our blessed Lord, but only the poor widow, who gave two mites from her penury. Your Committee are sure that the Convention will sustain them in regarding poverty as a very insufficient excuse for doing and giving nothing. When we consider, too, that the sum of twenty-five cents a year, or two cents and a half a month, from each communicant in the diocese, would give all that has been asked for at this time, ought any parish to refuse taking its part in so freely distributed a work, made so easy to the individual? And yet there are twelve parishes from which not even one cent has ever been received; and there are others still in debt on the income account. We subjoin a list of all delinquent parishes, with the amount of their indebtedness, to be printed as a part of our report. We do not propose sending it now, hoping that some of these will at this time make their payments to the Treasurer. Alas, how much better the State is paid than the Church! and its ministrations command more liberal and more prompt payments. One-fifth of our income is considered a moderate payment to the State: how few give their tenth to the Church!

It may be well here to call to mind some things in the early history of efforts to provide for the maintenance of a Bishop. We learn from tradition, that, in the good old colony times, a house for a Bishop was built in Cambridge, and fruitless efforts were made to secure one. At a convention held in May, 1796, Dr. Edward Bass of Newburyport was elected Bishop of Massachusetts. In a letter dated Sept. 8, 1796, he reluctantly accepts, and proposes going to Philadelphia to be consecrated, but asks very modestly, will some one give him the *unum necessarium*,—the money to defray the expenses of going to, staying at, and returning from, Philadelphia. The Convention appointed a committee to raise the sum of two hundred dollars, to be given to Bishop Bass to defray expenses incident to his consecration. We have not been able to learn that our first Bishop received from the Convention any other sum; and he served the Church for seven years.

In the year 1809 it was voted by the Convention, that a committee be ap-

pointed to make application to the parishes and members of the Episcopal Church in this State, to obtain contributions towards a fund for the support of a Bishop, as all well-disposed Christians may think necessary. In the same year a committee was appointed to obtain an act of incorporation for a body to be called "The Trustees of Donations," whose duty it should be to receive and take care of donations. We read in the act of incorporation, signed by Gov. Gore on the 3d of March, 1810, "Whereas, in behalf of certain religious societies, associated by the name of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in this Commonwealth, and comprehended in the association of said Church in the United States of America, it is represented that donations to a considerable amount have been made, and others are intended, providing for the support of the pastoral office of a Bishop in the said Church, and directed to other purposes respecting their religious institutions and public worship; and it is prayed that trustees may be incorporated, and enabled to receive and to hold in succession, and to manage and improve, all such donations to the pious uses and purposes aforesaid: therefore the first meeting of the Trustees, under this act, was held at the house of the Rev. Dr. Gardner, on the 3d April, 1810, and it was then voted that the Board of Managers be requested to take measures for obtaining contributions to the fund of this corporation, appropriated to the support of a Bishop, and for collecting any sums already subscribed. On the 27th August, 1811, it was voted by the Managers, "That the Treasurer be authorized and requested to pay to the Rt. Rev. Alexander V. Griswold, Bishop of the Eastern Diocese, the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars out of the income of the general fund." This seems to have been the first sum given to Bishop Griswold, he having previously supported himself and labored for the diocese, without any pecuniary assistance. Other grants were made at intervals of two or three years. In 1827 the stocks belonging to the Trustees being appraised at \$14,117.09, a committee reported that it would be advisable to pay to the order of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Griswold six hundred and forty dollars per annum, in quarterly payments, as the Bishop of the Eastern Diocese. In 1831 the Bishop's fund amounted to \$12,782.54, — the work of twenty-one years.

At a meeting of the managers of the Trustees of Donations, held June 7, 1843,

It was voted that the Secretary, with William Appleton, Esq., be a Committee to devise measures for the increase of the Episcopal Fund, and to cause the subject to be brought before the Convention. The constraining motive for this action was, that by the consecration of Bishop Eastburn, and death of Bishop Griswold, there was a Bishop of Massachusetts, for whose support provision, to some extent, ought to be made. As assistant Bishop he received only a salary of three thousand dollars as rector of Trinity Church, and now he ought to receive from the diocese a larger income than that yielded by the fund.

The consequence of the vote of the managers was a canon to provide for the increase of the Episcopal Fund: —

"It shall be the duty of every parish in this diocese annually to raise, and pay over to the Treasurer of the Trustees of Donations to the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Commonwealth, a sum of money equal to five per centum on the amount of the salary of its minister, to be added to the permanent fund."

In 1844 the Trustees of Donations reported having received from six parishes the sum of three hundred and seven dollars and fifty cents; in 1845, forty-five dollars and ten cents were received from six parishes; and, in 1846, twenty-seven dollars and fifty-nine cents. Thus, in all, four hundred and ten dollars and twenty-nine cents were secured; and the canon did no further execution.

The subsequent history has been dwelt upon in previous reports. The amount of the present fund is about eighty-nine thousand dollars, \$29,825 of that amount being in parish notes. Some parishes, who decline to give notes, make annual contributions; yet your Committee regret very much that these parishes do not recognize their obligations in a vote and a note, so that they would be reminded semi-annually of their dues to the Treasurer in such a way as to secure their contribution. The Committee must still urge the importance of the Bishop receiving his stipend promptly and regularly, and point out the only way in which this very desirable result can be attained. Sixty-nine years have passed since the Convention set about collecting and securing an adequate fund for the support of the Bishop, and we are now within sight of the goal. The fund has been added to this last year; and the receipts for income have been larger than during any previous year, except the last. We must still persevere, with a hope that perhaps, even at the next Convention, there may be a report of the work being completed. There is a saying that a new broom sweeps clean; and a new committee may act with more vigor and with more success. In conclusion, your Committee would call attention to the wise and efficient management of the Trustees of Donations. In this long period of nearly seventy years no loss has been sustained; and the funds now, as at all previous times, are well and safely invested.

Thus, in offering an investment to individuals and parishes, we can point to proofs of financial integrity and skill, as well as say to those who contribute of their substance, poor or rich, that the profit is certain and enduring from Him who promises, that even he who gives to a disciple a cup of cold water shall not lose his reward.

GEO. C. SHATTUCK.
R. STURGIS.
CHAS. O. WHITMORE.
J. C. AMORY.
J. P. ELLICOTT.

Resolved, That this Convention has heard with satisfaction of the increase of the fund for the support of a Bishop till it now amounts to eighty-nine thousand dollars, and that it approves of the appeals to delinquent parishes to take their part in the work, so that we may have a fund fully adequate to the demands upon it for the support of a Bishop; and that, to this end, a Committee be appointed, with instruction to use any means to bring delinquent parishes to a sense of their duty and obligations; and that the clergy of these parishes be requested to take an active part in the work, and to use all proper means, by sermons, collections, and otherwise, to bring the duty home to the men, women, and children of their cures.

DELINQUENT PARISHES, AND AMOUNT OF INDEBTEDNESS OF EACH.

*Amherst, Grace . . .	\$210 00	Lee, St. George's . . .	88
Beverly, St. Peter's . . .	56 00	Marblehead, St. Michael's . . .	123
Boston, St. Mary's, Dorch. . .	214 75	Melrose, Trinity . . .	140
*Boston, St. Mark's . . .	84 00	*Millville, St. John's, . . .	87
Bridgewater, Trinity . . .	42 00	Northampton, St. John's . . .	181
Cambridge, St. Peter's . . .	324 00	*Quincy, Christ . . .	200
Chelsea, St. Luke's . . .	84 00	*Somerville, Emmanuel . . .	234
*Danvers, Calvary . . .	168 00	Taunton, St. John's . . .	225
Gr. Barrington, St. James's . . .	177 38	Weymouth, Trinity . . .	60
Jamaica Plain, St. John's . . .	87 50		

The Report was accepted, and the resolution with which it concludes was adopted.

The SECRETARY read the Annual Report of the Episcopal Church Association.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH ASSOCIATION.

This association, organized in 1870, continues to carry on the work had view by its founders.

The rooms continue at No. 5 Hamilton Place: they have been kept open usual, and have been much more frequented than formerly.

During the year there have been held one hundred and fifty-five meetings of committees and boards of administration; and the record shows that nearly eight hundred of the reverend clergy of our own and other dioceses have visited the rooms. A barren statement of mere numbers and names would not reveal the good which has been accomplished by the maintenance of the rooms.

A very considerable element in the ability of our diocese to rightly discharge its duties in reference to the General Convention held here in October last consisted in our possession of these rooms. Open then, not infrequently, from seven o'clock in the morning until eleven at night, their use contributed largely to the comfort of the visiting bishops, clergy, and laity, as well as the convenience of those who had duties assigned them in caring for our visiting brethren.

At least one diocese, from our example, has been led since then to establish rooms for the same purposes.

A list of the officers of the Association is appended.

Respectfully submitted, in behalf of the Board of Directors.

THOS. J. LEE, *Treasurer*

ROOMS OF THE ASSOCIATION, May 22, 1878.

OFFICERS.

Honorary President. — The Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese.

President. — Enoch R. Mudge, Emmanuel Church.

Vice-Presidents. — Edward S. Rand, Alexander H. Rice, Emmanuel Church.

* Those marked with an asterisk have never given any thing towards the support of Bishop.

Treasurer. — Thomas J. Lee, Church of our Saviour, Longwood.

Clerk. — George Dexter, Christ Church, Cambridge.

Directors. — John S. Blatchford, St. Paul's Church, Boston; Robert Treat Paine, jun., Trinity Church, Boston; Charles H. Joy, Church of the Advent, Boston; J. A. L. Whittier, St. Mark's Church, Boston; W. C. Lovering, St. Thomas's Church, Taunton; Charles G. Saunders, Grace Church, Lawrence; Henry S. Chase, St. Paul's Church, Brookline.

The Report was accepted.

ROBERT M. MASON presented the Annual Report of the Trustees of Donations.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE TRUSTEES OF DONATIONS TO THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

To the Eighty-eighth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Massachusetts, held at Boston May 22, 1878: —

The amount of the Bishop's Fund at the date of the last report,

May 2, 1877, was	\$86,551 51
Since that date, the amount added to the Fund in cash and parish notes is	2,467 96

Making total of the Fund \$89,019 47

The Bishop's salary has been paid in full, in accordance with the vote of the Convention.

Most respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM P. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*

Boston, May 23, 1878.

The Report was accepted.

The Rev. Dr. BURROUGHS presented the Annual Report of the Trustees of a Fund for the Erection of Churches and Chapels.

MASSACHUSETTS "CHURCH BUILDING-FUND."

The Trustees of the Massachusetts "Church Building-Fund" have to report that the principal of the Fund, as reported to the last Convention, — \$1,017.55, — has received no further accession.

The principal of the Fund is as yet too small to admit of its active use. It was created in February, 1875, by a legacy of five hundred dollars, bequeathed for the purpose. The bequest was accompanied with an expression of the hope "that it might serve to attract other and larger gifts." The Trustees can but renew an expression of this hope, and earnestly commend to the kind regard and consideration of the clergy and laity of the diocese this trust, and the very important service it may be made to render in the extension and strengthening of the Church in the diocese.

HENRY BURROUGHS,	} Trustees.
G. C. SHATTUCK,	
J. S. BLATCHFORD,	

Boston, May 22, 1878.

The Report was accepted.

EDWARD N. PERKINS presented the Annual Report of the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.

REPORT OF THE MARGARET COFFIN PRAYER-BOOK SOCIETY

INCORPORATED A.D. 1856.

In his Annual Report to the society, the Bishop, who is the President, that the edition of a thousand of the stereotyped prayer-books published in February has been much improved by the enlarged type of the principal offices. Twelve hundred and eight prayer-books have been distributed; of these, six hundred and eighty are in the hands of the clergy; and the remainder are in the hands of the laity. Twelve hundred and eight prayer-books have been distributed; of these, six hundred and eighty are in the hands of the clergy; and the remainder are in the hands of the laity. Twelve hundred and eight prayer-books have been distributed; of these, six hundred and eighty are in the hands of the clergy; and the remainder are in the hands of the laity.

The receipts (including a balance of last account, — \$156.19, and a legacy from Mrs. Kellogg of \$100) have amounted to . . . \$
Expense of printing and insurance

Leaving a balance to new account of

Since the Annual Meeting, April 16, the legacy of three thousand dollars from the late Thomas M. Coffin has been paid to the Treasurer.

In view of its immediate receipt, the society voted to expend the income of the Permanent Fund, instead of accumulating it as heretofore. This was greatly to its means of usefulness; but the ability of the society to do special work depends principally upon the annual contributions of members and gifts from parishes and friends.

The Annual Service was held at the Church of the Advent, Sunday evening, Nov. 18. The sermon was preached by the Rev. G. W. Shinn. The collection amounted to \$103.82.

The increase of its Fund, which is a subject of devout gratitude to God, is an object which it is desirable to keep before the minds of the church of the diocese.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD N. PERKINS

Boston, May 22, 1878.

The Report was accepted.

The Rev. Dr. BURROUGHS presented the Annual Report of the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

REPORT OF THE SOCIETY

FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGY

In presenting the Annual Report of this society, we are happy to give evidences of an increasing interest in the association on the part of the members, of whom, during the past year, have become contributors to the Fund, making the whole number at the present time twenty-seven.

have died since our last Report. The amount of the annual premiums is four hundred and seventy-five dollars, and, of annuities paid, two hundred and fifty dollars. This Fund is constantly and rapidly increasing by the addition of a very large part of the income to the principal. For the greater security of the contributors, our By-Laws provide, that, if the income should be insufficient at any time to pay the annuities that become chargeable upon this Fund, the deficiency may be made up from the income of the Charity Fund. It is believed that no life-insurance association presents such advantages as are here offered to the clergy of Massachusetts.

The families of eleven clergymen deceased have been aided from the Charity Fund, and have received \$1,672.50. The income of this Fund is not sufficient to provide for those in whose behalf applications are made to this society. It is respectfully recommended that every parish in the diocese make an offering every year to this most excellent charity, and that the laity avail themselves of the privilege of contributing to the Charity Fund by becoming members of the society.

The Report of the Treasurer, and of the Committee appointed to audit his accounts, is herewith submitted.

HENRY BURROUGHS, *Secretary.*

Boston, May 22, 1878.

The Report was accepted.

The SECRETARY presented the Annual Report of the Episcopal Clerical Fund.

CLERICAL FUND.

The Israelites, under their Egyptian taskmasters, were required to make bricks without straw: in like manner, the Secretary of this society is required to present to the Convention a Report of its doings during the preceding year, when the clergy of the diocese have withheld from us the means of doing any thing on which a satisfactory report can be based.

Our receipts during the year have been, —

From investments	\$251 14
From bequests	200 00
From contributions	996 58
Total	\$1,447 72

Our disbursements for the same period have been the partial relief of five aged and infirm clergymen, amounting to thirteen hundred dollars.

This is a sad falling-off from previous years. We are unwilling to believe that the clergy of the Church in Massachusetts are indisposed to do any thing for the relief of those of their brethren whom age, sickness, or infirmity has unfitted for work, and who are therefore reduced to poverty. We would rather suppose, that, amid the many and loud demands made upon them from other sources, our feeble call for help has been unheard or forgotten. It is sad to be obliged to record the fact that the claims of so deserving a charity as ours have been responded to by only twenty-one parishes of the hundred or more which form our diocese.

The consequence has been, that we have been obliged to withhold a consid-

erable portion of the small pittance heretofore extended to our five beneficiaries.

We wait, and hope that the Church will yet awake to a sense of her obligations and responsibilities in this matter.

JOSEPH H. CLINCH, *Secretary*.

The Report was, on motion, accepted.

Also the Report of the Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children.

The Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children has continued steadily in its good work, notwithstanding the pressure of the times and the consequent diminution of its funds. The same causes which lessen its receipts increase the number of the applicants for its bounty: therefore children have been received to fill every vacancy, even at the cost of lessening its capital. Thirty children have been admitted during the last conventional year, nineteen dismissed, six have been baptized, and three confirmed.

S. A. C. BOND, *Secretary*.

EDWARD N. PERKINS presented the Annual Report of the Episcopal Charitable Society.

REPORT OF THE BOSTON EPISCOPAL CHARITABLE SOCIETY.

FOUNDED A.D. 1724.

This society, which was for the first time brought to the notice of the last Convention, has, with the view of keeping its charitable work before the diocese, voted again to report progress during the past year.

The officers and trustees are unchanged. The number of persons aided by the society has been fifty-eight, and the amount granted to them, thirty-five hundred and sixty dollars. On account of the diminution of income, no new names have been added to the list of beneficiaries to take the place of those who have deceased.

The increase of its fund is the pressing object of the society; and to it the attention of its members and friends is earnestly directed. Bishop Clark closes his admirable "Memorial Sermon" of 1874 with an appeal for its enlargement, urging "that it should be increased to a hundred thousand dollars in order to meet the wants of those who naturally look to the society for aid, and adds, "In times past there have been some magnificent bequests left to the society, which have been well husbanded, and carefully used." Twenty-two years have elapsed since the last one was received.

It is proposed, in the course of the year, to have a service and sermon (with offertory), setting forth the special claims of the society to the gifts and quests of members of our Communion. "Who of us is certain that some of our descendants may not need the kindly succor which this charitable institution provides?"

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD N. PERKINS, *Secretary*.

Boston, May 22, 1878.

The Report was, on motion, accepted.

The Rev. GEORGE J. PRESCOTT presented the Annual Report of the Dakota League.

The Dakota League reports as follows:—

During the year ending in October last there were contributed to Indian missions, through its agency, \$3,032.90 in money, and \$2,214.32 in value of boxes of supplies to different mission-stations. Seventy-five parishes were then included in it: since that time, one has ceased to exist, and four have been added, making seventy-eight in all; and it is hoped the League will not cease to grow until every parish is in connection with it.

In February last this society voted to unite itself with the newly-formed Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, and has continued to work harmoniously with that body since. But it is the oft-expressed wish of the Bishop, that this union should not in any way interfere with or hinder the distinctive work of the Dakota League; and we may hope that it will prove a great benefit to us, as the missionary spirit once roused in a parish, in whatever form, is sure to seek for itself new and wider channels.

On behalf of the Board of Managers,

GRACE H. HAMLEN, *Secretary*.

Boston, May 21, 1878.

The Report was accepted.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN presented the following Report from the Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

The Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was organized by the Bishop on Jan. 30, 1878.

It embraces the various departments of woman's work for the Church's progress under this head.

Its aim is to render the work of the women of the diocese more effective by united and sympathetic action, and to enlarge the field of such work, as is urgently commended by the General Board of Missions.

Its meetings are monthly: four have already been held, and have been very fully attended.

There are seventy-eight parishes now in co-operation with us, working in one or more of the departments.

The reports rendered and letters read at these meetings have been encouraging, and full of interest.

The Dakota League reports additional parishes, with an increase of boxes and funds for the year.

The Foreign Department has ably carried on the work begun by Mrs. Hoyt, collecting money for scholarships and insurance dues, and, with the consent of the Bishop, has started out to raise an endowed scholarship for the college in China.

The Domestic Department is constantly receiving notice of accessions of different parishes as helpers, asking assignments of work, and information concerning Domestic and Diocesan Charities. Previous to our organization, Miss Emery, the Secretary of the General Auxiliary in New York, had made assignments of work in our diocese, the record of which she has transferred to our branch, and it is very creditable for the year.

For Mexican Missions about a thousand dollars have been collected since January by the Secretary of that department, and sent to the Mexican League.

For the Freedmen, several parishes have prepared boxes, which have been forwarded.

Appended to this is an outline of the branches of the work undertaken by this society, with the officers and heads of its departments.

Respectfully submitted,

JANE L. UNDERWOOD, *Secretary*

NEWTON, May 20, 1878.

MASSACHUSETTS BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

President, Mrs. Horatio Chickering, No. 54 Chestnut Street, Boston; *Secretary*, Mrs. A. B. Underwood, Newton; *Treasurer*, Miss Abby R. Loring, No. 2 Dartmouth Street, Boston.

The Domestic Department. — 1st Division, Domestic Missions. A, The raising of money for special interests; B, The preparation of boxes for missionaries. Committee representing the Division: Mrs. Charles H. Miller, No. 17 Pleasant Street, Salem; Miss M. E. W. Joselyn, Salem; Mrs. Lucius Hubbard, No. 21 Craigie Street, Cambridge. 2d Division, Indian Missions, with care of the Freedmen's Mission. Committee representing the Division (under the care of the Dakota League): Mrs. H. B. Mackintosh, No. 65 Fort Avenue, Boston Highlands; Miss Hamlin, No. 35 Concord Square, Boston; Miss Caryl, No. 82 Myrtle Street, Boston.

The Foreign Department. — 1st Division, Foreign Missions. Life insurance, Scholarships, Female missionaries. Committee representing the Division: Mrs. Morris B. Morgan, Cambridge; Miss Ellen J. Baker, No. 19 Louisburg Square; Mrs. Joseph Burnett, Hotel Kempton, Boston. 2d Division, Mexican Missions. Committee representing the Division: Mrs. William Amory, jun., No. 29 Chestnut Street, Boston; Mrs. Annie Means, No. 16 Hancock Street, Boston; Mrs. I. H. Whittemore, Chapel Station, Longwood.

The Report, on motion, was received and accepted.

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, Chaplain of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, presented the following Annual Report: —

ST. LUKE'S HOME FOR CONVALESCENTS.

The Annual Report of this most excellent charity, made up to the 30th September by the Board of Trustees, of which the Bishop is the President, showed very encouraging results, and great advantages accruing under its new location and the changes in its organization. The new Home, No. 149 Roxbury Street, is remarkably well adapted to the work; and double the number of patients have been received during the past year than in any year previous. The work could be enlarged if the pecuniary means were provided. The Home being devoted to female patients, the Trustees placed the immediate oversight and direction in the hands of twenty-five lady associates, who have given assiduous attention to its affairs, while the execution of the rules and system adopted has been most admirably carried out by the excellent Matron, Mrs. Wills. The wise and faithful physicians, Drs. Sumner and Doe, continue their gratuitous services; and the Chaplain, the Rev. Mr. Winslow (whose Report is submitted herewith), has given unremitting attention to the spiritual wants of the patients.

The establishment is supported by voluntary contributions, and it appeals for steady help. It has no endowment; but an effort has been begun to collect enough money to pay off the debt on the building, which, when accomplished, will be so much capital secured. Already upwards of seven thousand dollars have been pledged, and it is hoped that twenty thousand dollars, the whole amount required, will, in time, be gathered. Let the good work go on! "God loves the cheerful giver."

CAUSTEN BROWNE, *Secretary*.

Boston, May 22, 1878.

The Chaplain's Report dates from last May to May 22, 1878.

The spiritual condition of the patients has been cared for as fully as circumstances have permitted. The public services, attended more or less by friends of the institution, have been as follows: Evening Prayer, with Sermon or Address, on Sundays, at half-past three P.M.; a Litany Service on Wednesdays, at four P.M., including a Lesson, with Hymns, with or without Remarks; the Holy Communion on the first Tuesday of each month, at ten A.M. From a third to a half of the patients have, on the average, received the blessed Sacrament. Weekly visits have also been made to the wards, where private services have been held, or Collects read, with words of counsel as the occasion required. Various inmates who have left the institution for hospitals, for home, or for places of labor, have been visited. Seven infants and four adults have been baptized, making a total of eleven baptisms. Six persons have been confirmed; and others have left the Home prepared to receive the holy rite at the earliest opportunity. Two such, now at the Home, await confirmation. The Bishop made his annual visitation on the Feast of the Purification, when a large number of the friends of the Home were present to greet him, and several of the clergy.

A number of ladies have cheered the patients by readings of interesting literature several times a week, and by various kind ministries. Among the gifts to the Home has been a service of Holy Communion, in three pieces, suitably inscribed. The Chaplain heartily thanks those of the clergy and others who have helped him conduct these public services throughout the entire year. The Matron has read a short daily service of morning and evening prayer, and been most successful in conducting the music for the Sunday and Wednesday services.

May God still prosper what the Bishop called a tender, and we add a most beautiful charity!

WM. C. WINSLOW, *Chaplain*.

Boston, May 22, 1878.

The Report, on motion, was received and accepted.

The Rev. Dr. HUNTINGTON, from the Committee on Constitution and Canons, presented the following Report:—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as touched the case of the revival of defunct parishes for purposes not contemplated in the existing canon law of this diocese, report that they have considered the matter committed, and recommend the passage of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the following section be added to Canon 1, Title IV.: "In no case shall a parish which for the six years last preceding has failed to elect its legal officers, and to maintain stated public services, be revived, re-established, or recognized as a legal parish, without the consent above named.

For the Committee.

WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, *Chairman*.

Which Report was laid upon the table for the present.

H. B. MACKINTOSH presented the following Report from the Executive Committee : —

The Executive Committee recommend that the next Annual Convention be held at St. Paul's Church, Boston, on the fifth Wednesday after Easter, 1879; and that the Rev. Phillips Brooks, D.D., of Trinity Church, Boston, be the preacher of the Convention Sermon, and the Rev. Reginald H. Howe, of the Church of our Saviour, Longwood, be the substitute.

DANIEL GOODWIN.

CHAS. WINGATE.

H. B. MACKINTOSH.

The Report was accepted.

The Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON, from the Tellers of the clerical vote for a Standing Committee, reported that the following had been elected by the clergy : —

The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.

" " PHILLIPS BROOKS.

" " GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

" " HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D.

JOSEPH STORY FAY.

ROBERT M. MASON.

ENOCH R. MUDGE.

CAUSTEN BROWNE.

Dr. COGSWELL, from the Tellers of the lay vote, reported that the laity had elected the following : —

The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.

" " PHILLIPS BROOKS.

" " GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

JOSEPH S. FAY.

ROBERT M. MASON.

ENOCH R. MUDGE.

CAUSTEN BROWNE.

They are therefore elected in concurrence, and there is ~~an~~ clerical vacancy.

On motion of CAUSTEN BROWNE, —

Resolved, That the Rev. Dr. BURROUGHS, having the highest number votes short of election, be declared elected.

On motion of CAUSTEN BROWNE, —

Resolved, That the Convention now proceed to fill the two clerical vacancies in the Deputation to the General Convention.

The CHAIR appointed the Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D., the Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL, and the Rev. EDWIN W. GOULD, Tellers for

the clerical vote, and Messrs. ROBERT T. PAINE, WILLIAM A. PARKER, and FRANK KERNOCHAN, Tellers for the lay vote.

On motion of Dr. SHATTUCK, —

Resolved, That, on the completion of this vote, the House take a recess till three o'clock, P.M.

The CHAIR appointed the following Committee to nominate for vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions : —

The Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D.

" " GEORGE WALKER.

" " CHARLES A. RAND.

ROBERT M. MASON.

ENOCH R. MUDGE.

The Convention then adjourned.

3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. MALCOM DOUGLASS, D.D., from the Tellers of the clerical vote for Deputies to the General Convention, reported that the clergy had elected the following : —

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS.

R. T. PAINE, from the Tellers of the lay vote, reported that the laity had made choice of, —

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS.

These gentlemen are therefore elected in concurrence.

The Rev. WILLIAM H. BROOKS, D.D., read the Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business : —

The Committee on Unfinished Business report that the unfinished business, as appears from the Journal of 1877, is as follows : —

" Articles of the proposed constitution and canons postponed for consideration of the eighty-eighth meeting of the Convention," contained in Appendix A, pp. 67 to 71 of the Journal of 1877.

For the Committee.

D. G. HASKINS.

The Report was accepted.

JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, from the Committee on Finance, made the following Report : —

Boston, May 23, 1878.

The Committee on Finance beg to report that they have examined the account of the Treasurer of the Convention for the conventional year 1877-78, and they find the account correctly cast and properly vouched.

The total amount of receipts for the year is shown to be \$2,000.79, and the total expenditure, \$1,665.90; showing a cash balance on hand of \$334.89.

The estimated expenses for the ensuing year are stated at \$1,150, and the probable receipts from an assessment of one per cent, \$1,200.

G. W. SHINN,
JNO. S. BLATCHFORD, } Committee.

Which Report was, on motion, accepted.

C. C. CONANT presented the following Report from the Committee to nominate Trustees to the General Theological Seminary:—

At the meeting of the General Convention, held in Boston, October, 1877, the change in Article III. of the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary, reducing the number of trustees from each diocese (i.e. one trustee for the diocese, and one additional trustee for every forty clergy, instead of one trustee for every eight clergy, as formerly), was adopted. The Committee find, in accordance with that article, this diocese is entitled to seven trustees, being one trustee, and one additional for every forty clergy, and 3 (three) for donations to General Theological Seminary Fund, in accordance with same article. The following gentlemen are nominated by the Committee:—

The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D.D.	Dr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK.
" " THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	Mr. JOHN B. STEBBINS.
" " CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.	
" " NICHOLAS HOPPIN, D.D.	
" " SAMUEL HOLLINGSWORTH, D.D.	

(Signed)

CHAS. AREY,
LEONARD K. STORRS, } Committee.
C. C. CONANT,

The Report was accepted, and the persons therein named were declared to be elected.

On motion of the Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN,—

Resolved, That balloting be dispensed with in the election of a Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund, and that the present Committee be re-elected.

On motion of CAUSTEN BROWNE,—

Resolved, That ENOCH R. MUDGE, THOMAS J. LEE, and GEORGE DEXTER be the Committee on Hospitality.

The Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D., from the Committee to nominate Persons to fill Vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions, reported the following:—

To serve four years:—

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS.	ROBERT M. MASON.
" " HENRY F. ALLEN.	W. C. LOVERING.

To fill vacancy to serve two years:—

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

The Report was accepted.

Resolved, That, in the election of members of the Diocesan Board of Missions, allotting be dispensed with.

Resolved, That the persons named by the Committee of Nominations be elected.

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons be now taken from the table.

On motion of CAUSTEN BROWNE, —

Resolved, That the Report be accepted, and the resolution attached thereto adopted.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary, in all cases of appointment of a Committee, to send within a reasonable time, by mail, or to deliver personally to each member of the Committee, a notice of his election, and, to the Chairman, of the business assigned to the Committee.

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW offered the following amendment to the "Standing Order of Business: " —

Motion, That Div. II. of the Order of Business, on the first day of the session, be so amended that the words "Morning Prayer, and Sermon or Charge, and the Administration of the Holy Communion," read as follows: The Ante-Communion Service, and Sermon or Charge, and the Administration of the Holy Communion." Title 1, Canon 2, Section 4, reads: "Every session of the Convention shall be opened with divine service. On the first morning there shall be a sermon and the administration of the Holy Communion."

The amendment was lost.

On motion of GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., —

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing be continued.

The Rev. WILLIAM H. BROOKS, D.D., moved that the Journal of the Convention be printed under the direction of the Secretary.

Dr. SHATTUCK moved, as an amendment, that the whole matter of the printing of the Convention be referred to the Committee on Printing and the Secretaries.

The Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D., moved, as a further amendment, that all printing of all kinds connected with the work of the Diocese, including that of the Board of Missions and other Committees, be executed under the supervision of the Printing Committee.

The amendment of the Rev. Dr. GRAY was lost.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES moved, as an amendment to the resolution of Dr. Shattuck, the addition of the following words: "With the design of securing the utmost economy consistent with suitable publication of the Journal, and other documents connected with the Convention, that".

Dr. SHATTUCK accepted the amendment.

The resolution, as thus amended, was passed, and reads as follows :—

Resolved, That with the design of securing the utmost economy consistent with a suitable publication of the Journal, and other documents connected with the Convention, the whole matter of the printing of the Convention be referred to the Committee on Printing and the Secretaries.

On motion of JOSEPH S. FAY, —

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing be authorized to print five hundred copies of the Constitution and Canons, separately from the Journal.

The Rev. Dr. HUNTINGTON, from the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, made the following Report :—

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as had to do with the unfinished business of the last Convention, respectfully report that they have considered the subject, and recommend the passage of the following resolution :—

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to take action with reference to the proposed addition to Section 3, Article II. of the Constitution, concerning the qualifications of lay delegates.

Resolved, That the further consideration of the proposed Article XIII. and the accompanying canons, which refer to a method of judicial trial other than that now provided for, be indefinitely postponed.

Resolved, That the subject-matter of both of the above resolutions be discharged from the Journal.

For the Committee.

WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, *Chairman*.

The Rev. GEORGE J. PRESCOTT offered the following resolution :—

That this Convention direct that the certificates of the lay delegates be sent to the Secretary at least one week before the meeting of the Convention, in order that they may be handed at once to the Committee on Qualifications, at the opening of the session, and no delay be occasioned in the organization.

The resolution was adopted by the Convention.

Resolved, That the vote by which the Report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons was adopted be reconsidered.

On motion of Rev. Dr. HUNTINGTON, —

Resolved, That that Report be recommitted.

ROBERT M. MASON, who was elected this morning as a member of the Diocesan Board of Missions, resigned the position to which he was elected.

Resolved, That balloting be dispensed with, and that D. P. CROCKER be elected to serve four years.

Resolved, That the Committee on Christian Education be continued.

Resolved, That the persons now constituting that Committee be re-elected.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be given to the officers of St. Paul's Church, for the use of their edifice:

The Report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons, recommitted to them, was then adopted by the Convention by a vote by orders.

Resolved, That after the reading of the minutes, and the customary devotions, the Convention adjourn.

The Minutes of the session were read and approved.

The Convention then united in singing "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow," and, after prayer and benediction by the Bishop, The Convention adjourned *sine die*.

Attest:

BENJ. H. PADDOCK,

Bishop of Massachusetts.

JOSEPH H. CLINCH,

Secretary.

W. HENRY BROOKS,

Assistant Secretary.

APPENDIX A.

EXTRACT

FROM THE

Canon of the General Convention of 1853.

Of the mode of securing an accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time.

SECTION 1. — As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every minister of this Church, or, if the parish be vacant, the wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his parish or church, also the state and condition of the Sunday schools in his parish, also of the amount of the communion alms, the contributions for missions (diocesan, domestic, and foreign), for parochial schools, for church-purposes in general, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every other clergyman not regularly settled in any parish or church shall also report the occasional services he may have performed, and, if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in the Convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

I.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, AMESBURY.

The Rev. SAMUEL M. EMERY, D.D., *Officiating Clergyman.*

CHRISTOPHER BASSET and PETER CLARK, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Communicants: Died, 2; removed, 20; total lost, 22; present number, 50. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 20. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Chapel, 40. Parsonage Fund, \$2,860.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$15.08. All current expenses, \$99.48; parish library, \$25. Total for objects within the parish, \$139.51.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$4.

REMARKS.

The great depression of the leading business of this town—manufacturing—has been seriously felt by St. James's Church, which has lost many families by removal to other places to seek employment, leaving the church still more weak than before. The Rev. Mr. Spear resigned the charge of the parish in July last; and a lay reader was employed during the summer. Early in the autumn, the Rev. Dr. Emery, who resides in Newburyport, having supplied different parishes in the diocese during the summer (twenty Sundays, dating from last Convention), consented to take the general oversight of the parish, and to officiate on Sundays and on Saints' Days, whenever it was deemed expedient to have the church opened for service.

GRACE CHURCH, AMHERST.

The Rev. FREDERICK BURGESS, *Rector*.

HORACE WARD and O. G. COUCH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 8; total, 10. Confirmed, 15. Communicants, 80. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 45. Church: Value, \$35,000. Parsonage: Value, \$3,500. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$38,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$57.44. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$335.11; subscriptions, \$1,206.50; investments, \$435; other sources, \$527; total, \$2,503.61. Sunday school, \$16.03. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,577.08.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$15.50; work among the colored people, \$7.30; Indian mission, \$6.60. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$9.70. Total for missionary contributions, \$69.10.

Total of contributions, \$2,646.18.

CHRIST CHURCH, ANDOVER.

The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D., *Rector*.

WILLIAM WHITMAN and GEORGE K. W. GALLISHAN,¹ *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 2; total, 6. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 6; total added, 17; died, 3; removed, 13; total lost, 16; present number, 113. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 72. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$2,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, not specially appropriated as below, \$16.14. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$410.38; pew-rents, \$83.75; subscrip-

¹ Since deceased.

tions, \$958.75; investments, dividends, \$563.50; other sources, \$20; total, \$2,036.38. Sunday school: Music-books and books for instruction and distribution, \$25.15. Parish library, \$7.70. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$223.71. Other parochial objects; viz., Gifts, rewards and decorations for Christmas and Easter, and permanent, \$72.03; Young Christian Soldier, \$14.14. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,396.25.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$22.50; Convention Fund, \$20; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$14.30. For other objects without the parish; viz., a clergyman in a Southern diocese, \$44.97; a church in Texas, \$2; mission at Columbia, S.C., \$5; Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$6. Total for objects without the parish, \$113.77.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$55; Sunday-school collections,—St. Luke's Hospital for Convalescents, \$5; Church Home for Destitute Children, \$5; total, \$65. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$16.37; work among the colored people, \$14.66; Indian missions, Sunday-school collections,—White Earth Reservation, \$5; Na-shotah, \$5; Salt-Lake City mission, \$5; Dry Grove mission, Mississippi, \$5; total \$61.03. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$12.53; Sunday-school collections,—Mission in China, \$5; Mexican mission, \$5; total, \$22.53. Sunday-school collection in Lent, for General Board Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$12. Total for missionary contributions, \$150.50.

Total of contributions, \$2,650.58.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ARLINGTON.

The Rev. D. G. HASKINS, S.T.D., *Rector*.

ALBERT GRIFFITHS and ROBERT DINGMORE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 1. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 6. Confirmer., 2. Present number of communicants, 49.

Current expenses, including rector's salary, about \$1,200. Receipts: from weekly offerings, about \$500; from special donations, about \$500; from the Board of Missions, \$200; total, \$1,200.

REMARKS.

It is now two years and a half since the first church-services were held in this town. The first year was one of great prosperity and promise. We began with seventeen families, embracing about seventy souls, of whom twenty-seven were communicants. Within the year our numbers were largely increased, the congregations often numbering eighty to a hundred persons. A parish was organized, and the erection of a small chapel was begun, for which the sum of five hundred dollars was raised by our own people. But a serious check to the growth of the enterprise was occasioned by the business troubles of the country. We lost in consequence, by removal from the town, many of our earliest and most devoted members. Still we have had some accessions. As the result of our two years' and a half of work, our records show twenty-one persons baptized, sixteen confirmed, and an increase of twenty-two communicants. Our chapel has been completed, and wholly paid for, together with horse-sheds, at a cost of nearly three thousand dollars. We have also raised by subscription three hundred and fifty dollars towards the mortgage-debt of twelve hundred dollars, the price of the land upon which the church is situated. The balance, eight hundred and fifty dollars, is the only debt we owe. No pews have been sold; and the entire property, subject only to the claim of eight hundred and fifty dollars, just referred to, has been placed in the hands of trustees.

The Board of Missions have kindly aided us during the past year to the extent of two hundred dollars.

The greatest need of the parish at present is that of a resident pastor, or of one who can give much time to parochial visiting. This need the present rector cannot supply; and he stands ready to yield his place whenever an arrangement can be effected by which this want will be met. Indeed, it is not at all unlikely that he will be compelled to terminate his connection with the parish at no distant date.

We are now making an effort to pay off the small remnant of our debt. When this shall be accomplished, the present trustees will make over the entire property to the Trustees of Donations of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The plan with which the rector entered upon this enterprise—namely, that of establishing a church-school for girls in the vicinity of the parish—has been abandoned for want of encouragement. If it should ever be revived, the situation will be found an admirable one for the purpose, especially in respect to the facility of obtaining teachers of specialties from the University at Cambridge. Beautiful and ample grounds for such an institution were once offered, and could probably be had free of cost.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ASHFIELD.

The Rev. LEWIS GREEN, *Rector*.

MOSES COOK and ADDISON G. HALL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Removed, 1; present number, 29. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 12. Church: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$6.29. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$183.06; donations, \$28.65; other sources, Ladies' Society, \$40; total, \$251.71. Total for objects within the parish, \$258.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$2; Convention Fund, \$3; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$4.24. Total for objects without the parish, \$9.24.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, — debt of Board, \$3; Indian missions, box of clothing, \$10; total, \$13. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$5.56; Mexico, \$5.17; from Ladies' Society for Foreign Missions, \$5; total, \$15.73. Total for missionary contributions, \$45.73.

Total of contributions, \$312.97.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BEVERLY.

JOHN D. LOVETT, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Adults, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 6; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 53. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 8. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$6,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$795; subscriptions, \$475; donations, \$230; donations on account debt, \$614; total, \$2,114. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,114.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$28; Convention Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$43.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11. Domestic: Indian missions, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$21.

Total of contributions, \$2,178.

REMARKS.

Rev. William G. Wells resigned the charge of the parish Feb. 17, closing five years of faithful labor. The parish is steadily gaining ground, and during the last year a debt of six hundred dollars has been paid.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, BOSTON.

The Rev. CHARLES CHAPMAN GRAFTON, *Rector*.

The Revs. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL and JOSEPH WARREN HILL, *Assistants*.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., and EDWARD NEWTON PERKINS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 112; adults, 37; total, 149. Confirmed, 87. Communicants: Admitted, 76; received, 26; total added, 102; died, 16; removed, 20; total lost, 36; present number, about 500. Marriages, 21. Funerals, 31. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 35; scholars, 270. Choir school: Teachers, 2; scholars, 15.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion and in almshouses, \$1,276.31. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$9,855.82; investments, \$1,075.27; total, \$10,931.09. Sunday school, \$325.82. Parochial school, \$990. Increase and improvement of church property, \$10,144.52. Other parochial objects, \$1,000.20. Total for objects within the parish, \$24,667.94.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$104.50; Convention Fund, \$45; Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$103.82; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$60; Christian or theological education, \$1,225; for other objects without the parish, \$1,163. Total for objects without the parish, \$2,701.32.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$425. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$344.93. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$417.70. Total for missionary contributions, \$1,187.63.

Total of contributions, \$28,556.89.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, BOSTON (DORCHESTER).

The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT, *Officiating Clergyman*.

HENRY M. SNELL and HENRY W. EMMONS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 1; total, 9. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 24; received, 5; total added, 29; died, 1; removed, 11; total lost, 12; present number, 98. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 42. Church: Value, \$4,800; sittings, 175.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$20.39. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at offertory, \$1,144.86;

subscriptions, \$161; other sources, \$55.86; total, \$1,361.22. Sunday school, \$20.08. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$97. Other parochial objects; viz., lectures, \$12.23; Ladies' Aid Association, \$20. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,530.92.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — For the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen, \$5.86; Christian or theological education, \$7. Total for objects without the parish, \$12.86.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.86. Domestic: Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, \$26.04; Sunday-school offering, domestic and foreign missions, \$6.42. Total for missionary contributions, \$50.32.

Total of contributions, \$1,594.09.

CHRIST CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D., *Rector.*

JOHN FOX and THOMAS MAIR, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 27; adults, 2; total, 29. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Admitted, 16; received, 7; total added, 23; died, 1; removed, 16; total lost, 17; present number, 150. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 142. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 700. Value of houses belonging to the parish, \$24,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$59,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including the rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$494.50; pew-rents, \$313.75; rents of houses, \$1,494.96; total, \$2,303.21. Sunday school, \$164.84. Repairs of the church, \$1,114. Cushions for pews, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,682.05.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$42. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$5. Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$5. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$3. For other objects without the parish; viz., Provident Association, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$82.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$5; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50; total, \$55. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$24; work among the colored people, \$4; Indian missions, \$5; total, \$33. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$14. Total for missionary contributions, \$102.

Total of contributions, \$3,866.55.

REMARKS.

The sum of \$1,612.53 has been given by the parishes of Trinity Church, Emmanuel Church, and King's Chapel, and by persons interested in the church, for repairs, in addition to the amount reported as contributed for this purpose in the parish. The work has been thoroughly and faithfully done, and every bill is paid. The parish is free from debt, and is believed to be in a more prosperous condition at the present time than it has been for many years. One hundred and forty have been confirmed in the last nine annual confirmations. The Literary Society has been re-organized as a parish guild, and is now engaged in collecting funds for the enlargement of the Sunday-school building.

Chapel: Sittings, 120. Total valuation of the property belonging to, \$18,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's collections in church, \$327.44; other sources, — fair, \$305; total, Sunday school, \$75.51. Total for objects within the parish, \$707.95.

BY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17. Total for contributions, \$17. Contributions, \$724.95.

REMARKS.

At minister in charge of this Mission entered upon his duties Ad- (Dec. 2), 1877. His report, therefore, embraces only five months in which time there have been four funerals, forty baptisms, and. The families connected with the parish number about a hundred and forty. The average Sunday-school attendance is a hundred and five. The offerings have amounted to \$419.95, exclusive of three hundred and five dollars raised from a fair. The Guild numbers about twenty members, but, including outside laboring-men brought into the church, averages a monthly attendance of about fifty. The work is an increase; and its growth, although slow, is steady.

GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE JARVIS PRESCOTT, *Rector*.

WILLIAMS FRENCH, ROBERT H. RICHARDS, *Church-Wardens*.

Infants, 44; adults, 10; total 54. Confirmed, 19. Communion-Marrriages, 23. Funerals, 26. Sunday school: Officers and scholars, 205. Sewing school: Teachers, 13; scholars, 104.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$385.34. expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, subscription to pay lease of church, \$700; donations, \$439; total, Sunday school, \$105.54. Sewing school, \$53.86. Other parochial expenses, Summer sewing for the poor, \$193.25; special offerings for poor \$46.74; church decorations at Christmas and Easter, \$116.33; for objects, \$95.34; per alms-chest, \$112.82. Total for objects within parish, \$4,246.50.

WITHOUT THE PARISH. — St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, 10; Christian or theological education, \$51.81; for other objects parish, viz., Free Church Association, \$20.81. Total for objects outside parish, 76.62.

BY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$25.42; total, \$64.45. Foreign: Foreign missions \$25.42. Total for missionary contributions, \$89.87.

Contributions, \$4,412.99.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, *Rector*.

RICK RICHARDSON and SAMUEL RICE, *Church-Wardens*.

Infants, 13; adults, 13; total, 26. Confirmed, 31. Communion- titted, 31; received, 11; total added, 42; died, 8; removed, 12; present number, 238. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 17. Sunday schoolers and teachers, 15; scholars, 97. Church: Value, \$30,000;

EMMANUEL CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS, *Officiating Clergyman*.

CHARLES O. WHITMORE and JOHN HOGG, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Received, 4; present number, 210. Marriages, 4, Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 90.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Sunday school, \$287.04. Other parochial objects, \$575.09. Total for objects within the parish, \$862.13.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$1,784.75. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$300. Christian or theological education, \$1,320.37. For other objects without the parish, \$325. Total for objects without the parish, \$3,730.12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$240; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$300. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$1,148.57. Total for missionary contributions, \$1,688.57.

Total of contributions, \$6,280.82.

REMARKS.

Since the last meeting of the Diocesan Convention, Emmanuel Parish has suffered a great loss in the resignation of its rector, Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D. Dr. Vinton's high rank as one of the most finished and eloquent preachers in the Church, his thorough knowledge of its canons, his clear judgment and brilliant intellect, made him one of the most influential clergymen at all sessions of the Diocesan and General Conventions. His withdrawal from all active work in the Church while still in the vigor of life will be widely felt and keenly regretted. To those who claimed him as their rector, and who were strongly attached to him by the many instances of his affection, the loss is still greater, and their sorrow at his resignation is deep and heartfelt. Since Dr. Vinton left, the services have been conducted by different clergymen. At Easter, the Rev. Leighton Parks of Hagerstown, Md., was invited to take charge of the parish from Easter to Advent. This invitation Mr. Parks accepted, and entered upon his duties the first Sunday after Easter.

FREE CHAPEL OF THE EVANGELISTS, BOSTON.

Rev. B. B. KILLIKELLEY, *Minister in Charge*.

Assistant Minister of Trinity Church on the Greene Foundation.

Baptisms: Infants, 51; adults, 30; total, 81. Confirmed, 47; received, 38; total added, 85; present number of communicants, 188. Funerals, 23. Marriages, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 33; scholars, 290; died or left, 15. Total, 308. Value of property, about \$12,000. Communion alms, \$78.13; collections, \$113.59; foreign missions, \$10.75; within the mission, \$100. Total, \$302.47.

REMARKS.

This Free Chapel is now under the charge of Trinity Church.

GRACE CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. ALEXANDER MACKAY-SMITH, *Missionary*.

Baptisms: Infants, 38; adults, 2; total, 40. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Present number, about 75. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 21; scholars, 190; total, 181. Church: Value, \$18,000; sit-

tings, \$75. Chapel: Sittings, 120. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$18,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$327.44; other sources, — fair, \$306; total, \$632.44. Sunday school, \$75.51. Total for objects within the parish, \$707.95.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17. Total for missionary contributions, \$17.

Total of contributions, \$724.95.

REMARKS.

The present minister in charge of this Mission entered upon his duties Advent Sunday (Dec. 2), 1877. His report, therefore, embraces only five months and a half, in which time there have been four funerals, forty baptisms, nine confirmed. The families connected with the parish number about a hundred and forty. The average Sunday-school attendance is a hundred and sixty-one. The offerings have amounted to \$419.95, exclusive of three hundred and five dollars raised from a fair. The Guild numbers about thirty active members, but, including outside laboring-men brought into the meetings, averages a monthly attendance of about fifty. The work is an encouraging one; and its growth, although slow, is steady.

GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE JARVIS PRESCOTT, *Rector*.

JOHN DAVIS WILLIAMS FRENCH, ROBERT H. RICHARDS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 44; adults, 10; total 54. Confirmed, 19. Communicants, 240. Marriages, 23. Funerals, 26. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 27; scholars, 205. Sewing school: Teachers, 13; scholars, 104.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$385.34. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,998.28; subscription to pay lease of church, \$700; donations, \$439; total, \$3,137.28. Sunday school, \$105.54. Sewing school, \$53.86. Other parochial objects; viz., Summer sewing for the poor, \$193.25; special offerings for poor of parish, \$46.74; church decorations at Christmas and Easter, \$116.33; various other objects, \$95.34; per alms-chest, \$112.82. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,246.50.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$4.00; Christian or theological education, \$51.81; for other objects without the parish, viz., Free Church Association, \$20.81. Total for objects without the parish, 76.62.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$50; Indian missions, \$14.45; total, \$64.45. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$25.42. Total for missionary contributions, \$89.87.

Total of contributions, \$4,412.99.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, *Rector*.

RODERICK RICHARDSON and SAMUEL RICE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 13; total, 26. Confirmed, 31. Communicants: Admitted, 31; received, 11; total added, 42; died, 8; removed, 12; total lost, 20; present number, 238. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 17. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 97. Church: Value, \$80,000;

sittings, 600. Chapel: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$37,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$6,297.15. For organ, \$130. Increase and improvement of church property, \$380. Other parochial objects; viz., For the poor, \$342.07; for church debt, \$260; Christmas festival for Sunday school, \$120; Easter festival for Sunday school, \$225. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,754.22.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$78.08.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.32. Domestic: Foreign and domestic missions, \$77.49; by Sunday school, \$115.53. Total for missionary contributions, 213.34.

Total of contributions, \$8,045.64.

REMARKS.

In addition to the above, a box of clothing valued at seventy dollars has been sent by the ladies of the parish to Bishop Whipple, at the White Earth Reservation.

This parish still preserves what have been so widely known as the leading features of its life: these are the observance of Morning and Evening Prayers daily, the Holy Communion upon each Sunday and upon Saints' Days, and choral worship led by a surpliced choir of men and boys.

A parish Guild has rendered good service during the past year in many ways; and the Sunday school is supplied with a corps of faithful teachers. The parish deserves great praise for the general spirit of helpfulness and energy which prevails within it.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, BOSTON HIGHLANDS.

The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, *Rector*.

WILLIAM RAYMOND LEE and AHERTON T. BROWN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 4; total, 13. Confirmed, 22. Communicants: Present number, 250. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 16. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, 180; total, 205. Church: Sittings, 500. Chapel: Sittings, 230.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$470.92. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$5,256.86. Sunday school, including scholarship at St. Paul's, \$445.30. Building and furnishing chapel, \$5,000. St. James's Aid Society, \$50. Special (Mrs. D. G. K.), \$100. Sunday-school festival, \$75. Christmas decorations, \$55.62. St. James's Guild, \$175. Employment Society, \$254.84. Benevolent Society, \$351. Total for objects within the parish, \$12,234.57.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$70.88; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$62.79; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$101.33. Total for objects without the parish, \$234.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$33.74; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$32.33; total, \$66.07. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, including contributions of "Helping Hand," \$253.13; Indian missions, \$130; total, \$383.13. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$152.67. Total for missionary contributions, \$601.87.

Total of contributions, \$13,070.91.

REMARKS.

Increased vigor and interest have characterized the work of the parish carried on in the Sunday school, the parish Guild, the St. James's Aid Society, the Benevolent Society, the Employment Society, and the Helping Hand Society.

Since our last report the parish has erected, furnished, and paid for a substantial and beautiful stone chapel in connection with the church.

St. Anne's Chapel on Cottage Street, near Dudley Street, which was begun by the former rector of St. Mary's, Dorchester, and abandoned for lack of funds, is now the mission of St. James's Church. The chapel is rapidly approaching completion, and will be opened for divine worship about July 1, 1878.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BOSTON HIGHLANDS.

The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, *Rector*.

The Rev. EDWIN WALTER GOULD, *Assistant*.

DAVID CONNERY and JOHN FORSYTH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 65; adults, 1; total, 66. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Present number, 262. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 19. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 27; scholars, 318. Church: sittings, 530.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Aims at Holy Communion, \$56.14; alms-chest, \$31.46; total, \$87.60. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$8,172.24. Sunday-school offerings in addition to amount of Indian scholarship, \$53.59. Bible-class offerings, — For new font, \$125; for Employment Society, \$54.78; for Christmas festival, \$50; for Easter flowers, \$25. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,568.21.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50; Convention Fund, \$22.50; for other objects without the parish; viz., Special offering for Orphanage of St. Anne's, Lowell, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$80.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$33.43. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$24.50; work among the colored people, \$15.03; Indian commission, \$9.79; support of scholarship by Sunday school, \$60; total, \$69.79. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$28. Total for missionary contributions, \$170.75.

Total of contributions, \$3,818.96.

REMARKS.

Twenty women have received work from the Employment Society during the winter.

A Workingmen's Club has been established in the parish, with a reading-room and library.

The seats in St. John's Church are free. The parish depends, for its support, upon the offerings of the worshippers.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CHARLESTOWN DISTRICT.

The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D., *Rector*.

GEORGE N. FISHER and Lieut-Col. JAMES H. JONES, U. S. M. Corps, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 55; adults, 4; total, 59. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Present number, 315. Marriages, 30. Funerals, 33. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 21; scholars, 215. Church: Value, \$67,700. Chapel:

Value, \$15,000. Dwelling-house, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$86,700.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$291.12. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$3,400. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,691.12.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$70; Convention Fund, \$30; Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergy-men of the Diocese, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$125.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$84; Indian missions, \$12.50. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$25. Total for missionary contributions, \$121.50.

Total of contributions, \$3,937.62.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, EAST BOSTON.

The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, *Rector.*

GEORGE H. PLUMMER and W. A. PARKER, U. S. N., *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 34; adults, 4; total, 38. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Present number, 105. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 26. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, 180. Church: Value, \$10,000; sitting, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$155.40. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$718.08; subscriptions and sale of pews, \$1,074.65; total, \$1,792.73. Sunday school, \$115.25. Other parochial objects; viz., To extinguish mortgage made 1866, and floating debt, \$1,170.47; Ladies' Parish Aid Society, \$20.00; Christmas dinners, \$100; Christmas greens, &c., \$20. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,553.90.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Clerical insurance, \$8.48; Society for Increase of Ministry, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$13.48.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$7. Domestic: Domestic and foreign missions in general, \$23.59. Foreign: Foreign missions, — Sunday school, for Bishop of China, by Woman's Auxiliary, \$1.11. Total for missionary contributions, \$41.59.

Total of contributions, \$3,608.97.

REMARKS.

The present rector entered upon his duties the first Sunday after Easter, the resignation of the Rev. J. H. Waterbury having taken effect Easter Day. It is a cause for great encouragement to the parish, that its debt has been entirely extinguished.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, JAMAICA PLAIN.

The Rev. SUMNER UPHAM SHEARMAN, *Rector.*

FRANK WAYLAND REYNOLDS and THOMAS P. PROCTOR, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 4; total, 21. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 31; total added, 40; removed, 15; present number, 172. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 124. Church: Value, \$11,200; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$1,800; sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$16,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$331.34. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$201.45; pew-rents, \$2,261.49; subscriptions, \$839.50; total, \$3,302.44. Sunday school, \$351.65. Increase and improvement of church-property, 52. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,037.43.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$87.50; Convention Fund, \$37.50; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$77; Christian or theological education, \$53.42; for other objects without the parish; viz., missionary-box, \$75; for salary of female missionary in Japan, \$40. Total for objects without the parish, \$370.42.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$40. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$148.78; Indian missions, \$20; total, \$168.78. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$83.90; Mexico, \$145.90; total, \$229.80. Total for missionary contributions, \$438.58.

Total of contributions, \$4,846.43.

REMARKS.

In addition to the above contributions, a missionary-box, the contents of which, at the lowest estimate possible, must be valued at two hundred dollars, and a large number of articles of clothing sent to the Free Church of St. Mary's for Sailors, have been furnished by the St. John's Woman's Missionary Association. A parish Guild has been organized and got into working-order, thus far with very excellent results.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH, BRIGHTON.

The Rev. THOMAS COLE, *Rector*.

THEODORE T. S. LAIDLEY and JOHN H. STURGIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 1; total, 10. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted 2; received, 4; total added, 6; removed, 3; present number, 62. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,181.31; Sunday school, \$15; increase and improvement of church-property, \$17; other parochial objects, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,263.31.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$12. Total for objects without the parish, \$12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19.69. Total for missionary contributions, \$19.69.

Total of contributions, \$1,295.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. CHARLES HENRY BABCOCK, *Rector*.

JACOB H. HATHORNE and EDWARD H. SPRAGUE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 9; total, 24. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Present number, about 240. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 7. Church: Sittings, 700.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$587.54. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$6,425.79; Sunday school,

\$78.68; increase and improvement of church-property, \$935.10. Other parochial objects; viz., Christmas greens, clerical assistance, &c., \$562.77. Total for objects within the parish, \$8,590.04.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$125.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic: Domestic missions in general, including Missionary Box, \$290.24. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$200.23. Total for missionary contributions, \$490.47.

Total of contributions, \$9,205.51.

REMARKS.

Illness of the rector during a portion of the winter prevented collections for several diocesan objects.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, BOSTON (DORCHESTER).

The Rev. LINDALL WINTHROP SALTONSTALL, *Rector*.

JOHN P. CLAPP and DANIEL B. STEDMAN, Jun., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10. Communicants: Present number, about 154. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 93.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$201.72. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$1,400.37; pew-rents, \$1,840.70; subscriptions, \$640.34; total, \$3,881.41. Sunday school, \$60.52. Other parochial objects, \$27.55. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,171.20.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$8.50; Convention Fund, \$5; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$26; Christian of theological education, \$17.15. For other objects without the parish, \$38.29. Total for objects without the parish, \$94.94.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$55.37. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$66.50; home missions to colored people, \$145; Indian commission, \$75.21. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$27.26. Total for missionary contributions, \$369.34.

Total of contributions, \$4,635.48.

THE FREE CHURCH OF ST. MARY FOR SAILORS.

The Rev. J. R. PEIRCE, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; died, 1; removed, 4; present number, about 70. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 35.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$429.95; donations, \$95; other sources, \$82; total, \$606.95. Parish Library, \$15. Christmas and Easter, \$25. Parochial school (charity), \$35. Total for objects within the parish, \$681.95.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5. Domestic missions, \$5. Foreign missions, \$5. Total missionary contributions, \$15.

Total of contributions, \$696.95.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, *Rector*.DAVID CLAPP and HENRY W. NELSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 88; adults, 6; total 94. Confirmed, 57. Communicants: Admitted, 57; received, 5; total added, 62; died, 12; removed, 40; total lost, 52; present number, 410. Marriages, 27. Funerals, 59. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 250. Chapel school: Teachers, 11; scholars, 60. Church: Value, \$40,000; sittings, 650. Chapel: Sittings, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$173.17. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$975.92; pew-rents, \$2,217.98; total, \$3,193.90. Sunday school, \$97.66. Parish library, \$50. Parochial missions, St. Matthew's Chapel, \$50. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$3,420. Other parochial objects; viz., Special sums for the poor, \$13; for various charities, \$100; rector's Bible class, \$50; fund for destitute children, \$25; fund for Bibles and prayer-books, \$25. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,197.73.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$70; Convention Fund, \$30; Christian or theological education, Society for Increase of Ministry, \$50. Total for objects without the parish, \$150.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$10. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$22.50. Foreign: Mission in Palestine, \$25. Total for missionary contributions, \$57.50.

Total of contributions, \$7,405.23.

REMARKS.

Three months ago a much-needed improvement was completed in the way of adding Sunday-school and Bible-class rooms to the Church. This improvement, including the furnishing, cost seven thousand dollars, of which amount thirty-four hundred and twenty dollars has been paid; and the parish is exerting itself to pay the balance.

During the past year St. Matthew's Mission was removed to the corner of Fifth and N Streets, City Point, and, in a more populous neighborhood, is meeting with encouraging growth.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. WILLIAM WILBERFORCE NEWTON, *Rector*.The Rev. JOHN TAYLOR ROSE, *Assistant*.ROBERT M. MASON, Esq., and J. BAXTER UPHAM, M.D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults 2; total, 11. Confirmed, 24. Communicants: Admitted, 24; received, 25; total added, 49; present number, about 300. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 26; scholars, 237.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$892.92. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$12,383.52; other sources, \$2,287.59; total, \$14,671.11. Sunday school, \$315.31. Other parochial objects; viz., St. Paul's Guild, \$613.42; reduction of debt, \$4,303.33. Ladies' Missionary Society, \$574.91; St. Paul's Industrial Society, \$75; poor of the parish, \$146.50; miscellaneous parish appeals, \$325.70. Total for objects within the parish, \$22,418.20.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$205.87; Convent-
 Fund, \$90; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or in-
 dependent clergymen of the diocese), \$276.11; Church Home for Orphan and
 Destitute Children, Boston, \$669.61; St. Luke's Home for Convalescent
 Boston, \$25; Christian or theological education, \$192.82. For other ob-
 jects without the parish; viz., Sufferers by the fire at St. John, N.B., \$110; m-
 ission to deaf-mutes in Boston, \$51.75. Total for objects without the parish,
 \$1,811.16.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$450. Do-
 mestic: Domestic missions in general, \$657.26; work among the color-
 ed people, \$76.69; Indian missions, \$74.38; Woman's Auxiliary, \$187.49.
 Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$29.69. Total for missionary co-
 ntributions, \$1,475.51.

Total of contributions, \$25,704.87.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, *Episcopal City Missionary.*

Baptisms: Infants, 27; adults, 3; total, 30. Confirmed, 14. Commu-
 nicants: Admitted, 36; received, 2; total added, 38; died, 6; removed, 1
 total lost, 20; present number, 64. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 24. Sund-
 school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 71. Church: Value, \$250 (fur-
 niture, &c., belonging to church). Parsonage: Value, \$12,000. Total valu-
 tion of the property belonging to the parish, \$12,250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses: Offerings at t-
 offertory, \$121. Sunday school (part donations), \$22. By the guild, \$15.
 Total for objects within the parish, \$158.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$3.35.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, extinguish-
 ing debt, \$15; offertory, \$5.25; total, \$20.25. Domestic: Indian mission-
 for Bishop Whipple, from Sunday school, \$4. Total missionary contrib-
 utions, \$24.25.

Total of contributions, \$185.60.

REMARKS.

We are still worshipping in a "hired house," where, during the past
 conventional year, the following services have been held; viz., with sermo-
 or lecture, a hundred and forty-four; without sermon, twenty-six; tot-
 a hundred and seventy. Besides these, twenty-five services, without se-
 mon, were held at the "parish room" of the mission-house, and thir-
 other services, with sermon, in churches and other buildings borrowed f-
 the occasion. This makes, in all, a hundred and seventy-four serv-
 with sermon, and fifty-one without. Total, two hundred and twenty-five.

During the past winter we had a very instructive and deeply interesti-
 course of thirteen lectures delivered before the St. Stephen's Guild. O-
 congregations are as large as can reasonably be expected. They are alwa-
 devout, and the services always hearty.

The Holy Communion has been regularly celebrated on the first Sunda-
 in each month and on all the great festivals.

The great and pressing want, which is being felt more and more keen-
 every day, is that of a church-building of our own. God in his goodne-
 grant that this want may be soon supplied.

TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, *Rector*.

The Rev. BRYAN B. KILLIKELLY, *Assistant*.

LES HENRY PARKER and CHARLES R. CODMAN, *Church-Wardens*.

tisms: Infants, 49; adults, 15; total, 64. Confirmed, 67. Communi-
Present number, about 700. Marriages, 15. Funerals, 23. Sunday
: Scholars, 450. Industrial school: scholars, 330. Church: Sittings,
Chapel: Sittings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

ECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$3,411.17.
rent expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$23,915; Sunday
, \$406; parochial missions, \$1,200; increase and improvement of
-property, \$24,912.63. Other parochial objects; viz., Charitable
es of the parish, \$4,364.50. Total for objects within the parish,
9.30.

ECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Church Home for Orphan and Desti-
-hildren, Boston, \$2,360.20.

SIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$600;
an Board of Missions, \$1,540.11. Domestic: Domestic missions in
ul, \$1,840.10; Indian missions, \$946.45. Foreign: Foreign missions in
ul, \$3,566.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$8,493.16. Miscel-
-ls, \$3,747.32.

al of contributions, \$72,818.98.

REMARKS.

parish has taken under its charge the Free Chapel of the Evangelists,
ow provides for its support. The Rev. Bryan B. Killikelly, Assistant
ter of Trinity Church on the Greene Foundation, is in charge of the
l, and will report the work which has been done there.

TRINITY CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.

The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, *Rector*.

tisms: Infants, 6. Communicants: Received, 1; died, 2; removed, 8;
lost, 9; present number, 47. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 6. Sunday
l: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 46. Church: Sittings, 400. Par-
e: Value, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

SIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$18.80.

REMARKS.

reasurer's Report has not been received.

Report does not include duty at the State Workhouse, to which the
of Trinity Church has been appointed chaplain since Jan. 1, 1877.

ST. PAUL'S MISSION CHURCH, BROCKTON.

The Rev. THOMAS G. CARVER, D.D., *Missionary*.

ALEXANDER F. BURDON, *Church-Warden*.

otisms: Infants, 5; adults, 4; total, 9. Confirmed, 6. Communicants:
ved, 2; present number, 30. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 5. Sunday
l: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 30. Chapel: Value, \$3,600; sit-
-170. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$123.06; pew-rents, \$360; subscriptions, \$205; other sources, \$105.22. Total for objects within the parish, \$793.28.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$7.

Total of contributions, \$800.28.

REMARKS.

Since the last Convention we have completed and occupied our new chapel, — a neat edifice, seating a hundred and seventy persons, and admitting of enlargement so as to seat two hundred and fifty worshippers. Our people contribute more than twice as much as when I commenced my work here; and every dollar promised is or will be paid up. So far as we know, no unkind feeling exists amongst us, and no prejudice is manifested against our Church in the town. During the year we have grown as largely as we could expect to do in bad times; and, with the revival of business and a reasonable amount of time and labor, a strong congregation will be built up here.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKLINE.

The Rev. LEONARD KIP STORES, *Rector*.

JAMES S. AMORY and HENRY S. CHASE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 18; adults, 2; total, 20. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 15; received, 21; total added, 36; removed, 18; present number, 213. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 125.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$779.27. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$7,500. Sunday school and reading-room, \$157.84. Other parochial objects; viz., New carpet for the church, \$654.57; Thanksgiving collection for poor, \$42.36; sundry donations for poor, \$55; donation for Sunday-school excursion, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$9,239.04.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$150; Convention Fund, \$32; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$81.31; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston (from Sunday school), \$100; Christian or theological education, including donations from sundry people, \$555.62; erection of churches and chapels, Natick Church, \$200. For other objects without the parish; viz., Rev. Mr. Silvester's mission, Dorchester, \$10; American Bible Society, \$100. Total for objects without the parish, \$1,228.93.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$194.73. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, including collection at time of General Convention in October, \$541.07; cash for missionary box, September, 1877 (one box to missionary, of clothing, &c.; one box to Indians, of clothing, &c.), \$30. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$136.03; collected for Woman's Auxiliary, for China school, \$54.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$956.33.

Total of contributions, \$11,424.30.

MISSION OF THE ASCENSION, EAST CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. ALEXANDER VIETS GRISWOLD ALLEN, *Missionary*.

JAMES WILLARD PRESTON, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 4; total, 16. Confirmed, 20. Communicants: Admitted, 20; received, 5; total added, 25; died, 1; removed, 2;

total lost, 3; present number, 72. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars (including Bible class), 137.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including the rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$70.38; collections in church, \$248.55; other sources, \$200; total, \$527.93. Sunday school, \$64.02. Total for objects within the parish, \$591.95.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$11.44.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$22.02.

Total of contributions, \$625.41.

REMARKS.

The present missionary entered upon his work on the first of last November. The official acts of his predecessor are included in the above Report, and will be found in detail under "Personal Reports." He has been aided by Mr. Arthur Barrington of the senior class of the Episcopal Theological School, who has acted also as superintendent of the Sunday school. During the past year a guild has been organized for parish work, the semi-monthly meetings of which have been useful in strengthening the social ties of the congregation, as well as developing a deeper religious spirit. Under its auspices a sewing school has been held weekly, with an average attendance of fifty children. Owing to removals from the place, and other causes, there had been during the previous year a falling-off in the attendance upon the services. These losses have been made good by new accessions, and there has been a steady growth of the congregation, which now averages a hundred persons. When the local industries of the place are revived, it is confidently believed that the congregation will be largely increased, and the aggregate of the offertory proportionately enlarged. The mission is planted in a community where it is much needed and much desired. There is evidence of a growing appreciation of the Church, of the fitness and beauty of her Ritual, and the sober, rational service of God which she aims to cultivate.

CHRIST CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. WILLIAM CHAUNCY LANGDON, D.D., *Rector*.

SAMUEL BATCHELDER, Jun. and SAMUEL D. SARGEANT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 23; total added, 33; died, 9; removed, 32; total lost, 41; present number, 216. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 32; scholars, 175. Church: Value, \$50,000; sittings, 450. Chapel: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000. Ministerial Fund, \$12,109.48. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$71,609.48.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, for parish poor, \$353.51. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$392.75; pew-rents of 1876, unpaid, \$17; subscriptions by pledge system, \$3,947.95; investments, income of Warden's Fund, \$165; other sources, \$27.75; total, \$4,550.45. Sunday school, \$196.46. Increase and improvement of church-property, reduction of parish debt, \$287. Other parochial objects; viz., The Parish Mission Guild, \$420.83; removal of organ, \$602.65. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,410.90.

APPENDIX A.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$30; Convention Fund, \$27.50; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent members of the diocese), \$20.20; Christian or theological education, \$26.75; other objects without the parish; viz., Cambridge Dispensary, \$29.79. Total for objects without the parish, \$144.33.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$74.10; Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$63.12; Indian missions, Dakota League, \$53.50; debt on Board of Missions, \$63.95. Foreign: Church in China, \$15.12; Church in Mexico, \$78.90. Total for missionary contributions, \$288.69.

Total of contributions, \$6,883.92.

REMARKS.

During the past year the changes from removal and death have been even greater than during that preceding; and the very fluctuating character of that portion of the residents of Cambridge upon which Christ Church depends for its support has been illustrated to an unusual degree.

The new financial system, the adoption of which was reported last year, and which provides for the support of the ministry and of public services by self-assessments and the offertory, instead of by pew-rentals, has continued to prove successful as a system; although Christ Church has suffered largely in common with other churches, from the general financial depression.

The rector reports, under the head of personal ministrations during the Convention year, that he has read, or assisted in reading, service, 164 times; sermons and addresses, 135; administrations of the Holy Communion, 21; baptisms, 12; marriages, 4; and funerals, 10.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. THEODOSIUS STEVENS TYNG, *Rector*.

EDWARD ABBOTT, *Lay Reader* (at St. James's Chapel, West Somerville).

JAMES M. BARKER and CHARLES R. WOODS, *Church-Wardens*.

REGISTRARS: Infants, 15; adults, 1; total, 16. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 13; total added, 25; died, 1; removed, 23; total lost, 24; present number, 100. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 3. Sunday-school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 90. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 275. Chapel: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 175. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion and other services, \$41.87. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,022.87; donation, \$360; from a fair, \$284.24; total, \$1,667.11. Sunday-schools, \$57.59. Parochial missions, \$194.34. Increase and improvement of church property, \$67. Other parochial objects; viz., Parish paper, \$33.33; Sunday-school festivals, \$35. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,101.26.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$8.49; Episcopal Clerical Fund, for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$15.62; theological education, \$105.34; the Cambridge Dispensary, \$11.13. Total for objects without the parish, \$140.58.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$16.44; mission of the Church, \$13.75. Domestic: Domestic missions in

general, \$110.48; Indian missions, \$2; total, \$112.48. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$2.62; Africa, \$10.61; China, \$16.18; Mexico, \$110.08. From the Sunday schools, for scholarships in China, \$73.94. Total for missionary contributions, \$356.10.

Total of contributions, \$2,597.94.

ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL CHAPEL, CAMBRIDGE.

(Chapel of the Episcopal Theological School of Massachusetts.)

The Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D.D., *Dean*.

Baptized: Infants, 7. Confirmed, 7. Communicants (registered), 131. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers, 12; scholars, 69.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Current expenses and Sunday school (no salary being paid by the congregation), \$1,577.14.

OBJECTS OUTSIDE THE CONGREGATION. — Theological education, \$57.50; Cambridge Dispensary, \$65; the poor (from Children's Sewing Society), \$32.50; Communion alms, \$381.51; clergymen's children, \$31. Total, \$567.51.

MISSIONS. — Diocesan, \$91; Domestic, \$220; Indian, \$140.24; Freedmen, \$100.94; Foreign, \$141.05; Mexican, \$70.44. Total, \$763.87.

Total of all contributions, \$2,908.32.

REMARKS.

This being the Chapel of the Theological School, there is no parochial organization of the attendants upon its services, and consequently no union with the Convention. But the above statistics are submitted to the Bishop, to aid in securing a full statement of the strength and work of the Church in Massachusetts.

It may be added, that there are seventy families and parts of families who make the chapel their regular place of worship, and seventy students of Harvard University, including, in all, three hundred and ten individuals.

Besides these, there are a considerable number who attend habitually, but who have not formally identified themselves with the congregation by notifying the Dean thereof.

Until May 1, 1878, the Rev. Lindall Winthrop Saltonstall was the Dean's assistant. He then left, to assume charge of St. Mary's Church, Dorchester.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. EDWARD MANNING GUSHEE, *Rector*.

EDWARD R. COGSWELL, M.D., and WILLIAM W. DALLINGER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 4; total, 21. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: admitted, 15; received, 7; total added, 22; died, 5; removed, 9; total lost, 14; present number, 263. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 20. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 179.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$97.34. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,386.74; pew-rents, \$1,917.56; donations, \$100; other sources, \$80.30; total, \$3,484.60. Sunday-school collections for Sunday-school objects, \$40.77.

Other parochial objects; viz., Industrial donations, \$36.63; Parochial Mission Fund, \$41.81. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,701.13.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$36; theological education, \$4; for other objects without the parish; viz., St. Mary's Orphanage, Lowell, \$5; Cambridge Dispensary, \$15.65; deaf-mute work, \$7.03. Total for objects without the parish, \$67.68.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$48. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$16; Girls' School, Walla Walla, \$40; Indian missions, \$3; Sunday school for Bishop Morris Orphan Asylum, \$40; Rev. D. Convers, Colorado, \$2.50; box for Walla Walla, \$77.30; total, \$178.80. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$16; missions in China, \$11.50; total, \$27.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$253.30.

Total of contributions, \$4,022.16.

REMARKS.

The services of this parish church are, the celebration of the Holy Communion, Morning Prayer, and Evening Choral Service on every Lord's Day, Daily Prayers in Lent, and the observance of Festivals. For assistance in his parochial duties, the rector is under great obligations to the Rev. Dr. Hoppin and the Rev. Henry N. Hudson, resident clergymen. The statistics, this year, do not include a subscription of somewhat over thirteen hundred dollars for liquidation of the church-debt, which subscription is just completed, but not altogether collected, and will therefore be reported next year.

ST. ANN 'S CHURCH, CHELMSFORD.

The Rev. BENJAMIN F. COOLEY, *Rector*.

CHARLES D. CLARKE and A. T. HODGE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 2; total, 3. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; died, 1; removed, 6; total lost, 7; present number, 26. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 25. Chapel: Sitzings, 50. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$50; other sources, \$66; total for objects within the parish, \$116.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$2.35.

Total of contributions, \$118.35.

REMARKS.

This parish has suffered pecuniarily greatly the past year from want of suitable employment in mills, upon which a number of persons have depended for support.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CHELSEA.

The Rev. JOHN THOMPSON BURRILL, *Officiating Clergyman*.

WILLIAM R. PEARMAIN and WILLIAM B. WHITING, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16; adults, 1; total, 17. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 7; total added, 16; died, 4; removed, 11; total lost, 15; present number, 176. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 29. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 140. Church: Value, \$15,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$94.46. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$442.16; collections in church, \$29.10; pew-rents, \$907.05; donations, \$53.32; investments, \$110; other sources, Ladies' Sewing Circle, \$557.90; total, \$2,193.99. Sunday school, \$68.04. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,260.03.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$18.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$37. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$39.69. Total for missionary contributions, \$76.69.

Total of contributions, \$2,354.72.

GRACE CHURCH, CHICOPEE.

STEPHEN LAMSON, *Church-Warden.*

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 1; total, 9. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Died, 1; removed, 1; present number, 29. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$1,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Pew-rents, \$400.

REMARKS.

After the lapse of nine years and a half, this old parish commenced services again the last Sunday in February, last year, and continued them to the second Sunday in December, when, owing to what *seemed* adverse circumstances, the parish voted to "suspend services for the present," — a vote that was against the better judgment of a number of the most interested ones. Having done so, it seems impossible to gain lost ground again, as most of those who cast in their lot with the Episcopal part of the parish will not do so again. Rev. Dr. Burgess (now Bishop Burgess) was a friend indeed to us; and it is with grateful hearts *the few* thank him for his labor with them, hoping and praying that some seed may have been sown that will yet bear fruit to honor the Master. Our church-building is a partial ruin, not worth even the expense of repairing. It is thought this property should be sold, and the Mission Board use the money, holding it in trust for the benefit of this parish when the time of its need shall come, if ever.

STEPHEN LAMSON, *Warden.*

MISSION CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, CLINTON.

The Rev. JOHN W. BIRCHMORE, *recently Missionary.*

Baptisms: Infants, 12. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 6; total added, 8; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 77. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$729. Sunday school, \$18.18. Total for objects within the parish, \$747.18.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$2.50; New-York Bible and Prayer-Book Society, \$3; Female Prayer-Book Society, Philadelphia, \$2.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$8.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$22.46. Domestic: By Sunday school, for debt of the General Board, \$13.28. Total for missionary contributions, \$35.74.

Total of contributions, \$790.92.

REMARKS.

The mission-work of the Church in Clinton has held its own during the past year. The congregation has somewhat increased, and the Sunday school is larger, by one-half, than it was last year, mainly by receiving young pupils. The Sunday-school library has received sixty-four new volumes. The number now is two hundred and ninety-seven. The missionary gave up his charge at the end of the year of the Diocesan Board.

CALVARY CHURCH, DANVERS.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Rector.*

JOHN S. PRATT and BENJAMIN R. TIBBETTS, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 2; total added, 10; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number, 78. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 275. Parsonage: Value, \$600. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$10. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$544.77; investments, \$141. Other parochial objects; viz., Raised by ladies towards paying a debt, \$87.35. Total for objects within the parish, \$783.12.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$8.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic: Indian missions, — from a Sunday-school class, for Emmanuel Hall, \$2.10; box of clothing, \$10; total, \$12.10. Total for missionary contributions, \$22.60.

Total of contributions, \$811.72.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, DEDHAM.

The Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN, *Rector.*

IRA CLEVELAND and THOMAS L. WAKEFIELD, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 25; adults, 2; total, 27. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 9; total added, 18; died, 4; removed, 31; total lost, 35; present number, 177. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 117. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 160. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$36,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$150. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$611.41; pew-rents, \$1,437.10; subscriptions, \$40; donations, \$87; investments, \$876.29; other sources, \$443; total, \$3,494.80. Sunday school, \$119.04. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$170.77. Other parochial objects; viz., Special gifts for poor, \$43; sundry objects, \$61.35. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,039.86.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$30; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$5; for other objects without the parish; viz., Poor Children's Country Week, \$23. Total for objects without the parish, \$58.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$187.73. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$193.50; Indian missions, \$15. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$71.30. Total for missionary contributions, \$472.53.

Total of contributions, \$4,570.39.

REMARKS.

The decrease in the number of communicants of this parish, as compared with last year, is mainly caused by the transfer of thirty from its communicant list to that of the new parish of the Good Shepherd. The absence of the former large item of contributions for parochial missions, also has its explanation in the erection of the mission at Oakdale into the above independent parish. The regular quota of Dakota League work was performed by the ladies of this church in the earlier part of the year; and, during Lent, a box, valued at over a hundred dollars, was prepared for the family of a Western missionary, under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (OAKDALE), DEDHAM.

The Rev. WILLIAM FRANKLIN CHENEY, *Rector*.

WILLIAM B. WELCH and EPHRAIM L. FROTHINGHAM, Jun., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 5; total, 22. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 3; total added, 13; died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2; present number, 65. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 136. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 280. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$73.77. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$140.34; pew-rents, \$256; subscriptions, \$743; donations, \$209.50; total, \$1,348.84. Sunday school, \$123.75. Parish library, \$45.36. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$376.16. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,967.86.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.84. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$37.84; Indian missions, — 1 box, valued at \$20; subscription, \$10; total, \$67.84. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$33.90. Total for missionary contributions, \$119.58.

Total of contributions, \$2,087.46.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, EASTHAMPTON.

The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, *Rector*.

N. W. FARRAR and THOMAS BUTTERWORTH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adult, 1; total, 2. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; present number, about 50. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 35.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, about \$600. Sunday school, \$20. Total for objects within the parish, \$620.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.
Total of contributions, \$630.

REMARKS.

An effort is being made (May 20) to secure funds for the purpose of building a chapel. Services have been held for some years in a hall, and it is now thought that the interests of the Church demand a more suitable place of worship. There is a very confident impression, that if we had a chapel, however small, many families would identify themselves with us who are now prevented by a feeling that the Church is not upon permanent ground. If success attends the efforts now being made to obtain subscriptions to the building-fund, we believe that our Church will prosper in this town more than ever; for which we shall devoutly pray, and give thanks.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, FALL RIVER.

The Rev. WILLIAM T. FITCH, *Rector*.

BORDEN CHACE and HENRY S. HOWE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 52; adult, 1; total, 53. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 10; total added, 20; died, 4; removed, 5; total lost, 9; present number, 250. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 17. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 32; scholars, 180; Flint Village mission school: Teachers, 5; scholars, 65; total both schools, 282.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$90; special alms at Holy Communion, for church-yard, \$34.50; total, \$124.50. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$323.34; pew-rents, \$2,113.84; subscriptions and donations to pay for organ, \$350; for music, \$700; repairs on church, \$91.71; total, \$3,703.39. Sunday-school offerings, \$128.19. Parochial missions, \$45. Ladies' Missionary Society, \$25. Flint Village mission school, \$38.72. Total for objects within the Parish, \$3,990.30.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$203.64; Convention Fund, \$29; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$15. For other objects without the parish; viz., Increase of Ministry, \$15; Orphan Home, Fall River, \$42.68. Total for objects without the parish, \$305.32.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$62.50; Woman's Auxiliary to Board of Missions, \$10; salary of foreign missionary, by ladies, \$10; deaf-mutes, \$15; box to Indian commission, \$50. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$25; work among the colored people, \$30; Indian missions, \$35; Mite-chests (Domestic), Sunday school, \$24. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$20; Flint Village mission, \$14; Mite-chests, Sunday school, \$15. Total for missionary contributions, \$311.

Total of contributions, \$4,606.62.

GRACE CHURCH, FISKDALE.

The Rev. D'ESTAING JENNINGS, *Rector*.

GEORGE HENRY SPARHAWK and JOHN HENDRON HARRISON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 5; total, 20. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Total added, 23; removed, 2; present number, 30. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 55.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$328.96; subscriptions, \$600; other sources, Ladies' Society, \$100; total, \$1,028.96. Sunday school, \$13. Other parochial objects; viz., books, &c., \$90. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,131.96.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15.

Total of contributions, \$1,146.96.

CHRIST CHURCH, FITCHBURG.

The Rev. EMELIUS W. SMITH, *Rector*.

DENNIS FAY and GEORGE D. COLONY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 8; total, 14. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Admitted, 19; total added, 19; died, 1; removed, 4; total lost, 5; present number, 150. Marriages, 2. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 136. Church: Value, \$43,000; sittings, 500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$136.65. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, Easter Day, \$2,463.65; pew-rents, \$2,214.33; donations, \$200; total, \$4,877.98. Sunday school, \$50. Other parochial objects, \$38. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,102.63.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$56; Convention Fund, \$27; Christian or theological education, \$137. For other objects without the parish, \$125. Total for objects without the parish, \$345.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$42. Domestic, \$18; domestic missions in general, \$202.10; Indian missions, \$15. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$25.40. Total for missionary contributions, \$302.50.

Total of contributions, \$5,750.13.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FRAMINGHAM.

The Rev. FRANCIS CHASE, *Rector*.

JAMES W. BROWN, M.D., and ALEXANDER R. ESTY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 5; total, 16. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 7; total added, 13; died, 2; removed, 3; total lost, 5; present number, 70. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$2.75. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the weekly offertory, \$652.63; subscriptions, \$288; other sources, \$150; total, \$1,090.63. Sunday school, \$3.93. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$38. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,135.31.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$8; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$2; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$35. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$14.29; work among the colored peo-

ple, \$7; Indian missions, box through Dakota League, \$12; Church at Brownville, Neb., \$1; total, \$34.20. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$13.37. Total for missionary contributions, \$82.66.

Total of contributions, \$1,232.97.

REMARKS.

The opening of the new Reformatory Prison for Women last November, ⁱⁿ Sherborn, contiguous to South Framingham, has given the rector of St John's some additional chances for usefulness. Five of the infant baptisms reported, and one of the marriages, took place in that institution, at ^{the} request of the superintendent and chaplain.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, GLOUCESTER.

The Rev. WILLIAM ROBERT HOOPER, *Rector*.

JOHN H. STACEY and WILLIAM BABSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Received, 2; present number, 71. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 20. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 59. Church: Value, \$5,500; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$438.82; other sources, \$93.65; total, \$532.47. Sunday school, \$27. Other parochial objects; viz., Sunday-school library, through Sunday school, \$27.85. Total for objects within the parish, \$587.32.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.45.

Total of contributions, \$604.77.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREAT BARRINGTON.

The Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON, *Rector*.

M. L. WHITLOCK and WILLIAM H. PARKS, M.D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 4; total, 7. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 4; total added, 12; died, 3; removed, 4; total lost, 7; present number, 142. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 75.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$96.20. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$216.85; pew-rents, \$1,097.75; subscriptions, \$202; donations, \$118; other sources, \$50.60. Other parochial objects; viz., Easter offering, by payment of parish debt, \$167.26. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,948.66.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$5.70. For other objects without the parish; viz., Convention expenses, \$14.38. Total for objects without the parish, \$20.08.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$35.53; Sunday-school offering for Christ Church, Brownsville, Neb., \$7. Domestic, \$28.58; scholarship St. Mark's school, \$40; one box for missionary, \$100. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, Relief Fund, \$16.36. Total for missionary contributions, \$227.47.

Total of contributions, \$2,196.11.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREENFIELD.

The Rev. SAMUEL HOLLINGSWORTH, S.T.D., *Rector*.SIMEON PHILLIPS and CHARLES R. LOWELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 2; total, 9. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Total added, 8; died, 6; removed, 2; total lost, 8; present number, 137. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$18,000; sittings, 350. Chapel: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 125. Parsonage: Value, \$8,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$29,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$181. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$238; pew-rents, \$1,500; subscriptions for deficiency, \$220; total, \$1,958. Sunday school, \$78. Sunday-school library, \$75. Other parochial objects; viz., Ladies' Aid Society, for reducing debt, \$450. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,742.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$50; Convention Fund, \$15; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$5; Christian or theological education, \$12. Total for objects without the parish, \$82.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$33. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$27; Indian missions, including a box of clothing (\$50) forwarded to Rev. J. J. Enmegahbowh by the Ladies' Aid Society, \$61; Sunday-school offerings for Bishop Morris, Oregon, \$23. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$17. Total for missionary contributions, \$161.

Total of contributions, \$2,985.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, HANOVER.

The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D., *Officiating Minister*.LEMUEL CUSHING WATERMAN and WARREN WRIGHT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 4; total, 5. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 6; total added, 6; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 76. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 72. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 500. Parsonage: Value, \$4,600. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$12,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$239.50. All current expenses, including rector's salary; Subscriptions, \$1,461; investments, \$105.95; total, \$1,566.95. Sunday school (\$15.89 contributed by the Sunday school), \$131.48. Parish library, \$18.15. Gratuitous distribution of Bibles and prayer-books, \$21.93. Gift to the minister of the parish, \$100. Parochial objects, \$51.77. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,129.78.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$28; Convention Fund, \$18; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$25; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston (\$5 from Sunday school, and \$17.25 in articles), \$22.25; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston (from Sunday school), \$5; Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$5; relief of poor, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$128.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$42.32.

Domestic: Work among the colored people (from Sunday school), ~~=====~~
 Indian missions, Dakota League of Massachusetts (in articles), \$34.~~=====~~
 Massachusetts Branch Woman's Auxiliary, \$10; total, \$49.25. Foreign: ~~=====~~
 Mexican Mission League, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, ~~=====~~
 \$101.57.

Total of contributions, \$2,359.60.

REMARKS.

The parish sewing society, by their zeal and industry, have been enabled to contribute \$123.82 of the total of offerings for the year past.

This venerable parish, almost a century and a half old, rejoices in the cheering measure of prosperity in all its interests with which it has been favored by the gracious, good God.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 6; total, 18. Confirmed, not included in last report, 21; confirmed this year, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 7; total added, 15; present number, 59. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 70. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$50.77. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$257.80; Sunday school, \$26.38; increase and improvement of church-property, \$135. Other parochial objects; viz., Christmas-tree, \$29.45; Easter cards, \$6. Total for objects within the parish, \$505.40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Dakota League, \$18.

Total of contributions, \$523.40.

REMARKS.

We thankfully acknowledge the donation of a chancel carpet, of ecclesiastical design, from the Vestry of Trinity Church, Boston.

TRINITY CHURCH, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES ARTHUR RAND, *Rector*.

EDWARD F. ADAMS and CHARLES T. CHASE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 32; adults, 5; total, 37. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 25; received, 6; total added, 31; died, 6; removed, 12; total lost, 18; present number, 202. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 15. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 130. Church: Value, including chime of bells, \$12,750; sittings, 500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$22.28. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,034.30; Sunday school, \$140.13; increase and improvement of church-property, repairs, \$98.57. Other parochial objects; viz., Payment of floating debt, \$393.94; for the poor, \$57.47; music, \$178.60; Easter and Christmas decorations, \$35.10. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,865.39.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$21; Convention Fund, \$22.60; for other objects without the parish; viz., St. Luke's Hospital,

Chicago (from Sunday school), \$5.90; Seabury Divinity School, Faribault (from Sunday school), \$18. Total for objects without the parish, \$67.40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$28. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$25; Indian missions (from Sunday school), \$8; value of box for Cheyenne Mission, \$118; total, \$151. Total for missionary contributions, \$179.

Total of contributions, \$3,101.79.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOLYOKE.

The Rev. AMOS SKEELE, *Rector*.

GEORGE H. LE DOYT and ELIAS P. FORD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 2; total, 13. Confirmed, 31. Communicants: Admitted, 27; received, 16; total added, 43; died, 1; removed, 10; total lost, 11; present number, 166. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 139. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 320.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, including Easter offering, \$341.09. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$135.50; collections in church, \$545.30; pew-rents, \$1,680.95; other sources, \$299.34; total, \$2,661.09. Sunday school, \$31.70. Other parochial objects; viz., Christmas, \$22.53; Sunday-school excursion, \$30. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,086.41.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50; Convention Fund, \$20.71; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$78.21.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$14. Total for missionary contributions, \$33.

Total of contributions, \$3,197.62.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOPKINTON.

The Rev. FRANKLIN LEONARD BUSH, *Missionary*.

WILLARD WADSWORTH and WILLIAM KENNEDY, *Church-Wardens*.

Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 2; total added, 2; removed, 1; total lost, 1; present number, 15. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$53.50.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$5; for other objects without the parish; viz., Bishop of Easton, for disabled clergymen, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.95. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$3.80. Total for missionary contributions, \$15.75.

Total of contributions, \$84.25.

CHRIST CHURCH, HYDE PARK.

BARTLETT H. HARDY and WILLIAM H. HOOGS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 8; total, 16. Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 5. Church: Sittings, 310. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, about \$18,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$87.39. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$372.60; collections in church (by envelopes), \$251.98; pew-rents, \$1,163.62; other sources, \$20.85; total, \$1,809.05. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,896.44.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$7.24. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$9.22. Total for missionary contributions, \$16.46.

Total of contributions, \$1,912.90.

REMARKS.

On the 22d of March the rector was suddenly taken from his duties by sickness, and was advised by his physician to go immediately to New York. He has since resigned the rectorship. We have, therefore, not been able to consult him, and have made up this Report as best we could, but are unable to make a full one.

Respectfully submitted.

BARTLETT H. HARDY, }
WILLIAM H. HOOGS, } *Wardens*.

ASCENSION CHURCH, IPSWICH.

[No Report.]

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LANESBOROUGH.

[No Report.]

GRACE CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, *Rector*.

JAMES PAYNE and JAMES H. KIDDER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 61; adults, 5; total, 66. Confirmed, 40. Communicants: Admitted, 40; received, 32; total added, 72; died, 2; removed, 10; total lost, 12; present number, 290. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 30. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 34; scholars, 303. Church: Value, \$18,000; sittings, 600. Chapel: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$298.58. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$3,489.65; subscriptions, \$370; donations, per choir, \$41; other sources, \$1.00; total, \$3,902.25. Sunday school, \$58.22. Other parochial objects; viz., For ladies' work, \$27.90; towards the erection of a new chapel, \$2,352.20; towards the erection of a new chapel (from Sunday school), \$426.29. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,065.44.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$133.89; Convention Fund, \$36; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25.07; Christian or theological education, \$50; for other objects without the parish; viz., American Bible Society, \$23; annual collection for poor of the city, \$85; Rev. A. Toomer Porter's school, \$70. Total for objects without the parish, \$422.96.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$34.58. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$2.50; missionary box, from ladies, \$135; Indian missions, — Dakota League, box from ladies, \$38.65; from Sunday school, for Bishop Hare, \$24; from Sunday school, for Bishop Spaulding, \$24; Faribault, \$10; Jarvis Hall, \$3; box of books for Wyoming (from Sunday school), \$20, — total, \$257.15. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$43.68; Mexico, \$51.87; from Sunday school, for Mexico, \$24; total, \$119.55. Total for missionary contributions, \$411.28.

Total of contributions, \$7,899.68.

REMARKS.

At Easter a handsome and appropriate window was placed in the chancel by the present and past members of the parish, with this inscription: "In memory of George Packard, rector of this church XXX years from its foundation. Born MDCCCIII. Ordained MDCCCXLIII. Died MDCCCLXXVI."

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. WILLIAM GOODHUE WELLS, *Rector*.

JAMES WALTON and N. P. H. MELVIN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 24; adults, 8; total, 32. Confirmed, 36. Communicants: present number, 150. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 19. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$370.24; pew-rents, \$1,328.41; other sources, \$1,305.26; total, \$3,003.91.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$45.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic missions in general, \$14.39.

Total of contributions, \$3,063.30.

REMARKS.

The preceding Report is quite incomplete, and can only be an approximation. The present incumbent has been in charge but three months. With the parish register in its present incomplete condition, it is impossible to render an accurate report.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, LEE.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HARRIS, (*late*) *Rector*.

LUCIUS CROCKER and JOHN HANNA, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6. Communicants: Present number, 32. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 20. Church: Value, \$8,000; sitting, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$9.16. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$487.02. Sunday school, \$4. Total for objects within the parish, \$500.18.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$3.60; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$3.65. Total for objects without the parish, \$7.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19. Domestic missions in general, \$2.25. Foreign missions in general, \$2.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$23.50.

Total of contributions, \$530.93.

REMARKS.

On the first day of May, after seven happy years of service among a much loved and loving people, to whose devotion, faithfulness, and affection I bear cheerful witness, I resigned the rectorship of this parish, to accept that of St. Michael's Church, Marblehead.

The parish is in sound financial condition, united in itself, and although somewhat reduced in numbers, and poor in this world's goods, has, with God's blessing, every reason to anticipate a prosperous and useful future.

TRINITY CHURCH, LENOX.

The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, *Rector*.

CHARLES KNEELAND and EDMUND SPENSER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adult, 1; total, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 3; total added, 4; died, 1; total lost, 1; present number, 43. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 25. Church: Sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$138.69. All current expenses, including rector's salary \$2,000. Collections in church, \$3; pew-rents, \$11; subscriptions, \$6; other sources, \$9.04; total, \$29.04. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,167.68.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$77.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$43. Foreign missions in general, \$40. Total for missionary contributions, \$83.

Total of contributions, \$2,323.18.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, SOUTH LINCOLN.

The Rev. WILLIAM MANSFIELD GROTON, *Rector*.

HOWARD SNELLING and GEORGE GILBERT CHENEY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adult, 1; total, 7. Confirmed, 5. Communicants, 56. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 49. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Total, \$759.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Total, \$5.

Total of contributions, \$764.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LONGWOOD.

The Rev. REGINALD HEBER HOWE, *Rector*.

SAMUEL L. BUSH and WILLIAM R. LAWRENCE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adult, 1; total, 10. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 17; received, 16; total added, 33; removed, 10; total lost, 10; present number, 133. Marriages, 2. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 70. Church: Value, \$60,000; sittings, 350. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$65,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$317.75. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$2,196.50; subscriptions, \$1,732.50; investments, \$192; total, \$4,121. Increase and improvement of church-property, choir seats, \$150. Other parochial objects; viz., charities (through Aid Society), \$164.94; charities (through rector), \$97.75; Christmas and Easter expenses, \$111.69. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,963.13.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$153.15; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$55.52; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$54; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$211.37; Christian or theological education, \$52.10. For other objects without the parish; viz., American Bible Society, \$154; Young Women's Christian Association, \$34.78. Total for objects without the parish, \$713.92.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$388.88. Domestic: Mite-chests, \$99.60; domestic missions in general, \$96.12; work among the colored people, \$31.60; Indian missions (through the Sunday school), \$60. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, including Mexico, \$432.48; Woman's Auxiliary, \$101.73. Total for missionary contributions, \$1,110.41.

Total of contributions, \$6,787.46.

REMARKS.

The record of the parish for the year in working and giving is an excellent one. By arrangement with the rector of the adjoining parish of St. John's, Boston Highlands, a district on Longwood Avenue has been assumed for certain kinds of work. Here the Parish Aid Society has found the principal field for its home labors. At the same time it has fitted out four boxes for missionaries, valued together at three hundred and seven dollars and fifty cents. Through the efforts of the young ladies chiefly, suitable seats for the boy-choir have been put into the church, adding much to its beauty and convenience. Thank offerings of an alms-basin and alms-chest have also been received.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D.D., *Rector*.

The Rev. ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON, S.T.B., *Assistant*.

JOHN O. GREEN, M.D., and JOHN M. PEVEY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 46; adults, 4; total, 50. Confirmed, 29. Communicants: Added, 30; lost, 59; present number, 433. Marriages, 38. Funerals, 45. Sunday-school: Officers and teachers, 28; scholars, 190. Church: Value, \$15,000; sittings, 800. Chapel: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 250. School-building: Value, \$5,000. Parsonage: Value, \$13,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$41,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$3,735.18; subscriptions, \$1,125; other sources, \$425.09; total, \$5,285.27. Sunday school, \$34.18. Rector's library (Easter, 1878), \$53.19. Other parochial objects; viz., Bibles and prayer-books, \$18.45; church-work in St. Anne's, \$57.06. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,501.15.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$27; Christian or theological education, \$269.27. For other objects without the parish; viz., Chelmsford mission, \$69.46; St. Mary's Orphanage, \$180.42; church in Fairville, St. John, N.B., \$32.03; church in Lawndale, Ill., \$15.90; Church for Freedmen, Washington, D.C., \$14.92; for the Jews, \$20.31; House of Prayer, Lowell, \$79.70. Total for objects without the parish, \$709.01.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$178.58. Domestic missions in general, \$220.69; work among the colored people, \$27; Indian missions, \$21.24; Relief Fund for Board of Missions, \$37.11. Foreign missions, \$41.71. Total for missionary contributions, \$526.33.

Total of contributions, \$6,736.49. •

REMARKS.

The parish has very kindly furnished the rector with assistance since the first of November last, by him greatly desired, — not so much that he might be relieved of work as that more might be done. The Rev. A. E. Johnson has rendered good, and, as is believed, satisfactory service herein; but the field still requires an additional laborer.

THEODORE EDSON.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER, *Rector.*

HENRY P. WEBBER and SAMUEL J. GIBBY, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 49; adults, 7; total, 56. Confirmed, 23. Communicants: Admitted, 23; received, 24; total added, 47; died, 5; removed and withdrawn, 31; total lost, 36; present number, 275. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 23. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 23; scholars, 175. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms not elsewhere reported, \$111.12. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$421.06; pew-rents, \$1,480.27; donations, — from St. John's Improvement Society, \$186; from other sources, \$50; from Easter offering, \$233.39; total, \$2,370.72. For Sunday school, \$138.20; increase and improvement of church-property (from Sunday school), \$184.37. Other parochial objects; viz., for the choir, \$45.80; through St. John's Improvement Society, offerings and contributions for church-purposes, \$56.46. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,906.07.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$35; Convention Fund, \$21; Christian or theological education (Society for Increase of Ministry), \$13. Total for objects without the parish, \$69.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$27. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$9.35; work among the colored people, \$6.05; Indian missions, \$6.05; for Bishop Spaulding's work, \$15.60; for Bishop Tuttle (from the Sunday school), \$40; total, \$77.05. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$6.05. Total for missionary contributions, \$110.10.

Total of contributions, \$3,085.67.

THE HOUSE OF PRAYER, LOWELL.

The Rev. BENJAMIN F. COOLEY, *Rector*.WILLIAM H. COOPER and GEORGE H. TRYDER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 7; total, 10. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Admitted, 19; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 61. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 40. Church and land: Value, \$3,500; sittings, 225. Organ, \$900. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$4,400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$621.68; subscriptions, \$51.40; donations, \$71; other sources, \$250; total, \$994.08. Sunday school, \$10. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$39. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,043.08.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Eastern Convocation, \$10.71.

Total of contributions, \$1,053.79.

REMARKS.

The parish of the House of Prayer was organized in December last, and is efficiently working in the Master's Vineyard.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, LYNN.

The Rev. LOUIS DECORMIS, *Rector*.WILLIAM F. JOHNSON and THOMAS B. KNIGHT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 25; adults, 20; total, 45. Confirmed, 25. Communicants: Admitted, 25; received, 2; total added, 27; present number, 320. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 23. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, 200. Sewing school: Teachers, 7; scholars, 77; total, 84. Adult Bible class, about 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$2,676.29.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$78.75; Convention Fund, \$22.50; Christian or theological education, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$126.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$16.22. Domestic: Indian missions, box, \$21. Foreign missions, \$86.73. Total for missionary contributions, \$123.95.

Total of contributions, \$2,926.49.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MALDEN.

The Rev. GEORGE PUTNAM HUNTINGTON, *Rector*.J. EDWARD BURT and WILLIAM H. LEMON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 5; total, 24. Confirmed, 19. Communicants: Admitted, 33; received, 3; total added, 36; died, 7; removed, 11; total lost, 18; present number, 161. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 82. Church: Value, \$13,000; sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$18.72. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,704.28; subscriptions, \$63.64; donations, \$5; total, \$1,772.92. Sunday school (offerings in), \$28.14. Increase and improvement of church-property; viz., for organ, \$321.62. Other parochial objects; viz., Christmas and Easter celebrations, \$66.90; insurance, \$63; repairs, \$45.60; relief of poor, \$3. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,319.90.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, interest on note, \$31; Convention Fund, \$22. For other objects without the parish; viz., to sinking fund of parish for Episcopal Fund, \$21. Total for objects without the parish, \$64.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$23.50. Domestic missions in general, \$28.33; Indian missions, \$3; promotion of Christianity among Jews, \$3.48; total, \$34.81. Foreign missions in general, \$12.14. Total for missionary contributions, \$70.45.

Total of contributions, \$2,454.35.

REMARKS.

A pipe-organ worth fifteen hundred dollars was placed in the church at Christmas, and has, since then, been entirely paid for.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, MARBLEHEAD.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HARRIS, *Rector*.

EZEKIEL RUSSELL and ELIAS G. SMETHURST, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 2; total, 6. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Present number, 86. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 80. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Value, \$400; sittings, 50. Parsonage: Value, \$6,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$60.06. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,712.82. Sunday school, \$30.09. Other parochial objects; viz., Christmas decorations, \$7.50; poor of the parish, \$21.22. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,831.69.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$3.84; for other objects without the parish; viz., Bible and Prayer-Book Society, \$4.42; deaf-mutes, \$15.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$23.76.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Missionary contributions in general, \$40.95.

Total of contributions, \$1,896.40.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Julius H. Ward resigned the charge of the parish in January last. The present rector has been in charge but a few days. The Report is made up from data furnished by the late rector and by the parish officers.

MISSION AT MARLBOROUGH.

The Rev. FRANKLIN LEONARD BUSH, *Missionary*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adult, 1; total, 10. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 3, received, 2; total added, 5; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4;

present number, 23. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 1; scholars, 10.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$177.75. Other parochial objects; viz., Lectern, \$10; organ, \$78; poor, \$3.09. Total for objects within the parish, \$268.84.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$5; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$6.58; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$16.58.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$13.94. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$19.35; work among the colored people, \$5.38; Dry Grove missions, \$5; total, \$29.73. Foreign missions, \$4.71. Total for missionary contributions, \$48.38.

Total of contributions, \$333.80.

REMARKS.

The town of Hudson has also been visited, and divine service held there, once a month regularly since October last. Ten communicants are reported from this mission, and three children have been baptized. Fifty-three dollars and ninety-three cents have been contributed through the offertory and otherwise, of which seven dollars and nine cents were sent to the Diocesan Board of Missions, four dollars and ten cents to Domestic Missions, and the remainder used for current expenses and payment of the missionary.

GRACE CHURCH, MEDFORD.

The Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, *Rector*.

BENJAMIN P. HOLLIS and JOHN P. FOLGER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 5; total, 14. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Present number, 125. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers and scholars, 75.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$162.96. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$265.83; subscriptions, \$1,719; investments, \$750; other sources, \$123.97; total, \$2,858.80. Sunday school, \$51.64. Other parochial objects; viz., Church decoration, &c., \$33.80; ladies' Missionary Society, \$45.25; choir excursion, \$27.03; organ, \$60. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,239.48.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$12.25; clothing for missionaries, \$163. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$25.82; Indian missions, \$2.13. Foreign missions, \$2. Total for missionary contributions, \$205.20.

Total of contributions, \$3,444.68.

REMARKS.

During the past year the parish has met with a great loss in the death of Miss Mary E. King, who for more than twenty-five years had faithfully and lovingly given her efficient services to the parish as organist. Her life, too, was such an example of purity and humility, and usefulness and self-sacrifice, that, in every circle and all departments of parish work, she is greatly missed. Members of the parish have placed a tablet of marble and brass in the church, to her memory.

TRINITY CHURCH, MELROSE.

The Rev. HENRY AIKEN METCALF, *Rector*.

WILLIAM L. WILLIAMS and ROYAL P. BARRY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 7; total, 22. Confirmed, 22. Communicants: Admitted, 22; received, 9; total added, 31; died, 2; removed, 14; total lost, 16; present number, 110. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 60. Church: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,182.74. Sunday school, \$14.87. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$500. Other parochial objects; viz., Relief of poor, \$111.42; Christmas festival, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,808.83.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19.60. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$21; Indian commission, Dakota League box, \$14.90; total, \$35.90. Total for missionary contributions, \$55.50.

Total of contributions, \$1,864.33.

REMARKS.

The parish is now rejoicing in a new organ, which has greatly added to the interest of the services.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, METHUEN.

The Rev. BELNO ADDISON BROWN, *Rector*.

E. R. DAVIS and WILLIAM BERINGTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 1. Funeral, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Total, \$275.

REMARKS.

The parish of St. Thomas, Methuen, Mass., has only been in operation a few weeks. Services are held in the rector's house on Sundays and Holy Days.

TRINITY CHURCH, MILFORD.

The Rev. GEORGE ROGERS WHEELOCK, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 8; total added, 10; died, 2; removed, 6; total lost, 8; present number, 89. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 73. Church: Value, \$9,000; sittings, 252.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$48.58. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$188.33; pew-rents, \$538.59; subscriptions, \$858.47; total, \$1,585.39. Sunday school, \$39.43. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,673.40.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, 21; Convention Fund, \$9. Total for objects without the parish, \$30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$18.50.

Total of contributions, \$1,721.90.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, MILLVILLE.

HENRY S. MANSFIELD and WILLIAM A. COLE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 2; total, 6. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 3; died, 1; removed, 4; total lost, 5; present number, 71. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 35. Church: Value, \$5,000. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$7,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$34.21. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$20; pew-rents, \$399.41; other sources, \$1.90; total, \$421.31. Sunday school, \$47.97. Total for objects within the parish, \$503.49.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Foreign missions in general, \$2.30. Total for missionary contributions, \$12.30.

Total of contributions, \$515.79.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NANTUCKET.

The Rev. LEVI BOYER, *Rector*.ARTEMUS DAVIS and CHARLES H. STARBUCK, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Communicants: Received, 3; died, 1; present number, 35. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 40. Church: Value, \$1,520; sittings, 230. Parsonage: Value, \$800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,320.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$300. Offerings at the offertory, \$22.36; collections in church, \$178; donations, \$275; other sources, \$48.53; total, \$823.89. Sunday school, \$13.30. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$937.19.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$3; Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$3; Christian or theological education, \$1. Total for objects without the parish, \$7.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$24. Domestic: For church-work among deaf-mutes, \$5.75. Total for missionary contributions, \$29.75.

Total of contributions, \$972.74.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NATICK.

The Rev. BENJAMIN R. GIFFORD, *Rector*.HORACE T. HILDBRETH and FRANK E. CUMMINGS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 4; total, 17. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 2; total added, 6; present number, 42. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 34. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$9,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses: Rector's salary, \$300; current expenses, \$125; subscriptions toward payment of church-debt,

\$1,000; donations toward payment of church-debt, \$3,113.90; Sunday school, \$25; increase and improvement of church-property, by a cross and cresting, \$150. Other parochial objects; viz., Interest on debt, \$100; consecration and Christmas expenses, \$30; to organist, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,893.90.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.

Total of contributions, \$4,903.90.

REMARKS.

During the year a burdensome debt of \$4,113.91 has been removed, and the church consecrated by the Bishop of the Diocese, so that it is now free from all incumbrance. A large gilt cross and cresting have been placed on the exterior, giving the church a much more completed appearance than before. The parish contributed toward the debt a thousand dollars; and the remaining \$3,113.91 was generously donated by churchmen of Boston and vicinity.

The weekly services in Wellesley have been continued uninterruptedly through the year, and the interest has materially increased. Several young ladies from Wellesley College have generally attended, and, for the most part, have conducted the music. At the service on Easter-Sunday afternoon adult baptism was administered.

GRACE CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.

The Rev. EDMUND ROWLAND, *Rector*.

SAMUEL LEONARD and C. B. H. FESSENDEN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 3; total, 22. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 3; total, 13; present number, 246. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 14. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars 125.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$89.43. Sunday-school library, \$50. Sunday-school Christmas fund, \$81.48. Mission-work at Wamsuttaville, \$821. Interest on Johnson Fund, for the poor, \$120.22. Building Fund, \$100; interest on same, \$160. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,222.13.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$100; Convention Fund, \$30. Total for objects without the parish, \$130.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$72.95. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$152.19; Sunday-school Lenten offering for work among the colored people, \$15; Indian missions, \$25.61. Foreign missions in general, \$55.20. Total for missionary contribution \$320.95.

Total of contributions, \$1,746.03.

REMARKS.

Considerable interest is awakened in the parish in the effort to establish a mission in the northern part of the city, in the neighborhood of the Wamsutta Mills. The services of the Rev. C. H. Proctor have been secured, who reports as the result of his labors for three months an organization of fifty families, twenty-four baptisms, a class ready for confirmation, and a creditable contribution toward the support of a minister and the erection of church-building. It is hoped that the effort will result in the establishment of an independent parish.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEWBURYPORT.

The Rev. EDWARD LIVINGSTON DROWN, *Rector*.

NATHANIEL FOSTER and DAVID WOOD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 6; total, 13. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 15; died, 5; present number, about 300. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 17. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 100. Mission school: Teachers, 16; scholars, 75. Church: Sitzings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$12,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$274.27. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$4,008.20. Sunday school, \$106.61. Parochial missions (\$184.42, less \$20 reported from Sunday school), \$164.42. Other parochial objects; viz., Church Decoration Committee, \$31.37; from Balch and Bass Fund, for poor at Christmas, \$40.34; from other investments for poor, \$148.73; Church Book-Guild, \$24.61; special, \$36.25. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,833.80.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$24. For other objects without the parish; viz., Howard Benevolent Society of Newburyport, \$37.04; Society for Deaf-Mutes, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$86.04.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$24.88. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$33; Indian missions (by branch of Dakota League, to sustain scholarship, \$60, box \$34.65), \$94.65. Foreign missions in general (by Foreign Missionary Association of St. Paul's Church), \$33.85. Total for missionary contributions, \$236.38.

Total of contributions, \$5,156.22.

REMARKS.

Of the above contributions, fifty-nine dollars are from a small legacy bequeathed to the rector of St. Paul's Church by the late Mrs. Caroline Smith Gomez, "for missionary purposes." The following parochial agencies are actively at work; viz., The Sunday School; The Mission School; Dakota League; Parish-Aid Society; Committees, — on District Visiting, on Parish Library, on Church Decorations, on Foreign Missions; the Church Book-Guild, and the Cheerful Workers. By vote of the annual parish meeting the weekly offertory has been established; and, since Easter, congregational music has taken the place of a quartette choir.

GRACE CHURCH, NEWTON.

The Rev. GEORGE WOLFE SHINN, *Rector*.

EDWIN F. WATERS and ADIN B. UNDERWOOD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 2; total, 13. Confirmed, 30. Communicants: Present number, about 235. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 138.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$235. Parochial objects, including current expenses, and toward reducing the building-debt, \$8,895.15. Total for objects within the parish, \$9,130.15.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.52. Convention Fund, \$37.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$5. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$10. Church

Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$5. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$5. Christian or theological education, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$130.02.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$36. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, ten bundles of garments and other articles, value about \$150; special offerings, \$100. Foreign missions in general, \$83. Total for missionary contributions, \$369.

Total of contributions, \$9,629.17.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WEST NEWTON AND AUBURN-DALE.

CHARLES EDW. PARKER and FRANK G. L. HENDERSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants, 15. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$1,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Collections in church (from October, 1877, to Easter, 1878), \$264.28.

Total of contributions, \$264.28.

REMARKS.

By a unanimous vote of the vestry, worship at West Newton was discontinued after Sept. 30, 1877, since which time worship has been maintained at Auburndale, in the seminary chapel. All the debts of the church have been paid, and all expenses met by the weekly offerings and pledges; and no aid has been received from the Missionary Society. Owing to the resignation of the rector, and other causes, it is difficult and undesirable to carry the statements in the Report back of the 1st of October, 1877. On the resignation of the rector, the Rev. George W. Shinn performed the duties of rector for some months, since which the Rev. Henry Mackay and the Rev. Thomas Cole officiate alternately. The average attendance since Oct. 1, 1877, has been seventy-seven.

CHAS. EDW. PARKER,

Clerk of the Church of the Messiah of West Newton and Auburndale.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, NEWTON.

The Rev. HENRY MACKAY, *Rector*.

ISAAC HAGAR and RUFUS MOULTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 3; total, 8. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 1; total added, 11; died, 2; removed, 3; total 105; present number, 153. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 4. Sunday school, 400. Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$62.66. A current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,910.95. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,973.61.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Newton, \$14. For other objects without the parish; viz., Beneficiary St. Mark's School, Utah, \$40. Total for objects without the parish, \$129.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$70; Bishop Garrett, \$55; Bishop Whipple, \$20. Foreign missions in general, \$38. Total for missionary contributions, \$183.

Total of contributions, \$2,285.61.

REMARKS.

This parish moves smoothly, quietly, peaceably, slowly, but 'till moves. The past diocesan year has, in various ways, been one of successes, although not of financial increase. Our club, which meets once a week from September to April, was well attended, interesting, and profitable. We still support a beneficiary in St. Mark's School, Utah. The Sunday congregations have been good, and the Sunday-school sessions also. The essentials of the parish are always forthcoming; what the non-essentials are may not be discussed here.

SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH ADAMS.

The Rev. THOMAS BURGESS, *Rector*.

CHARLES H. READ and ANSON D. MINER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adult, 1; total 10. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 5; total added, 8; died, 2; removed, 8; total lost, 10; present number, 100. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 90. Church: Value, \$22,000; sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$75. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$906.96; subscriptions, \$300; other sources, \$35.90; total, \$1,242.86. Sunday school, \$75. Library, \$70. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,462.86.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$10. For other objects without the parish, \$8. Total for objects without the parish, \$18.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19. Foreign missions (Mexican League), \$15. Total for missionary contributions, \$34.

Total of contributions, \$1,514.86.

GRACE CHURCH, NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH.

The Rev. FREDERIC AUGUSTUS FISKE, *Rector*.

OTIS STANLEY and ABEL R. BLOCK, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 2; total, 5. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Present number, 34. Marriages, 2. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$11,500; sittings, 254. Parsonage: Value, \$3,500. Land, \$2,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$17,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion included in other offertories. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$130.62; collections for five years' insurance on church and rectory, \$185; pew-rents, \$618.53; subscriptions for reduction of parish debt, \$572; other sources, \$298.68; total, \$1,804.83. Other parochial objects; viz., Gas bills for church, \$22.40; coal for church, \$63.34; taxes, \$30.53; total, \$116.27. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,921.10.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$21. Convention Fund, \$5.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$26.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$21.20. Foreign missions in general, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$26.20.

Total of contributions, \$1,973.80.

REMARKS.

This has been a year of struggle with us financially, although our receipts have exceeded those of former years; for, besides our ordinary current expenses, we have been under the necessity of raising the additional sum of a hundred and eighty-five dollars to renew insurance on our church and rectory for the next five years. Besides paying for that, we have reduced our debt by the sum of five hundred and seventy-two dollars, subscribed and paid by our own people. This we had but just completed, when notice was duly served upon us, that our indebtedness to the savings bank in this place must be reduced in the sum of a thousand dollars, to be paid in the month of November next. How that amount can be raised in our present exhausted condition financially is a problem that we are unable to solve. Our people seem willing to make every possible effort; but we shall be compelled to seek aid from without. Beyond doubt the same all-wise and beneficent Providence that has led us so kindly thus far will lead us safely through this trying crisis, out from darkness into light; but now the cloud is over us. All our confidence and hope are in Him, who, in his immutable word, has revealed himself as "our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."

There has been increased interest in our Sunday school; and the average attendance on public worship has improved.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTHAMPTON.

The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, *Rector*.

WILLIAM C. ROBINSON and D. W. CRAFTS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Present number, 90. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 65. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$35. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,437.32. Sunday school, \$15. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,487.32.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10, for last year's deficiency.

Total of contributions, \$1,497.32.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, OTIS.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HARRIS, (*late*) *Missionary*.

Communicants: Present number, 4. Church: Value, \$2,000. Sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$19.50.

REMARKS.

I officiated in St. Paul's Church, Otis, on every alternate Sunday afternoon, from early in June until Nov. 1. During part of the time these were

ly religious services held in the town. The congregations were larger ever before, and considerable interest was manifested in the services. they may, in some way, be continued another season.

GRACE CHURCH, OXFORD.

The Rev. WILLIAM F. LHOYD, *Officiating Minister*.

I am very happy in reporting the revival, in some measure, of church life, church work, and church interest, in Grace Church, Oxford. The ship of Rev. W. H. Brooks, D.D., closed Oct. 1, 1869. Since then no minister in charge, no missionary, has been stationed here, until the end of last year. With the exception of two or three summer periods, a neighboring clergyman held an afternoon service on Sundays, this was closed during that long time.

Rev. J. D. Reid, residing in Webster, held a morning-service throughout the summer of last year. Since Oct. 1, 1877, I have been acting as minister here, as missionary of the Board.

What might be expected, the field, upon my entering it, presented a very discouraging aspect.

Many of the congregation which once filled the church were to be found; many of these having transferred their interest to other places of worship, having left the town, and several having died.

The saddest thing of all, the goodly Sunday school of other days is almost wholly lost to the church.

What might be expected again, the once happy enthusiasm was now wanting.

Many will feel the fallen condition of things, where the poverty of the times cruelly affects this little community, where we find it hard to collect enough to give the appearance of dignity to our efforts, it were vain to look for enthusiasm.

Yet I really regard the outlook as hopeful. Considering the discouragements of the case, we are doing well, and we will, I am persuaded, keep on well, and this means doing better.

The prime and essential condition of a new growth into parochial attainments, of course, that the regular services of this church be not again suffered to be discontinued, its doors never again closed to the sacred ministrations which it was built and consecrated.

To this most desirable end be secured, it will, I think, be necessary that the Diocesan Board of Missions take this station under its warmest and most generous nurture; for the point where it is feeblest is the paying point. We have a Sunday school numbering some thirty scholars and six teachers. During the period from Oct. 1 of last year to now, a Ladies' Parish Society has been quite busily engaged, and, besides other useful work in behalf of the church, they made up a valuable box of clothing, &c., which, a short time since, they sent to a worthy missionary in the Diocese of Missouri.

W. F. LHOYD.

Oxford, Mass., May 20, 1878.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, PEABODY.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary*.

EDGAR W. UPTON, *Church-Warden*.

Statistics: Infants, 11. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 11, total added, 13; died, 1; removed, 5; total lost, 6; present number, 17. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 35. Chapel: Value, \$1,500; sittings, 160. Land, \$2,020. Total value of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,520.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$635. Parish library, \$10. Other special objects; viz., Raised by Parish Missionary Society towards payment of debt upon lot, \$100; balance of debt on chapel, \$150; work on cell furnace for chapel, \$63. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,008.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Christian or theological education.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, Domestic: Indian missions, — Box of clothing, \$6; Plain City, Utah, school offering, \$2.75. Foreign missions in general, \$3. Total for missionary contributions, \$28.37.

Total of contributions, \$1,046.37.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, PITTSFIELD, MASS.

The Rev. WILLIAM MCGLATHERY, *Rector.*

W. EDW. VERMILYE and FRANK E. KERNOCHAN, *Church-Warden.*

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 4; total, 11. Confirmed, 8. Communion: Admitted 8; received, 2; total added, 10; died, 4; removed, 1; total present number, 150. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Scholars, 10; teachers, 10; scholars, 60. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$50.00. Current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$1,200; pew-rents, \$2,755; donations, \$280; investments, \$150; total, \$3,385. Sunday school, \$47.32. Parish library, \$66.88. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,004.72.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$30; for objects without the parish, \$45.14. The parish has given its note for: assessed upon it for Episcopal Fund, agreeing to pay interest and per centage, until the whole amount is paid. Total for objects without the parish, \$75.14.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, Domestic missions in general, \$97.23. Total for missionary contributions, \$127.23.

Total of contributions, \$4,207.09.

REMARKS.

The condition of St. Stephen's Parish is such as to give cause for encouragement to all who have an interest in its prosperity. The determination on the part of the Vestry to conduct its affairs upon sound principles is bringing its results in financial conditions and general prosperity. The increase of devotion to the church is marked in increased attendance upon the services and interest in participating in the same. A choir of men and boys, under the direction of a thoroughly competent master, has been introduced, and with it comes a devout and church of music, such as meets the wants of the congregation for a service in which they can participate.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUINCY.

The Rev. THADDEUS ALEXANDER SNIVELY, *Rector.*

WILLIAM L. WAINWRIGHT and WILLIAM GREENOUGH, *Church-Warden.*

Baptisms: Infants, 11. Communicants: Present number, 178. M. 1. Funerals, 8. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 800. Parsonage: \$5,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, \$1,994.66. Sunday school, \$58.04. Other parochial objects; viz., Ladies' Sewing Society, \$40; Pledge Fund towards reducing church-debt, \$1,368.47. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,461.17.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Indian missions, \$40.10.

Total of contributions, \$3,501.27.

REMARKS.

The parish was without a rector from February, 1877, until April 1, 1878, when Rev. Thaddeus A. Snively took charge.

During the vacancy the parish kept together wonderfully; by a great effort raised thirteen hundred and sixty-eight dollars and forty-seven cents towards paying the debt upon rectory, and in other ways showed the marks of true life and earnest devotion.

It is but right to say that Christ Church, Quincy, has gone through trials enough almost to drive to despair. They have accomplished, *almost unaided*, the rebuilding of their church, burned, for the second time, just after the Boston fire.

During the past two years a general effort of all classes, conditions, and ages among the parishioners, has resulted in a *Pledge Fund*, which is rapidly clearing away the incumbrance of a small debt.

I scarcely need say that everywhere I see proofs of the energy, devotion, and earnest work of my predecessor, the Rev. Reginald H. Howe.

CHRIST CHURCH, ROCHDALE (INCLUDING CHERRY-VALLEY MISSION).

The Rev. SAMUEL R. BAILEY, *Rector*.

TOLMAN TRASK and ISAAC B. HARTWELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Confirmed, 3; Communicants: Admitted, 8; died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2; present number, 64. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 40. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 225. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$160.17; pew-rents, \$249.50; subscriptions, \$81; donations, \$7.62; other sources, \$219.86; total, \$718.15. Sunday school, \$8. Total for objects within the parish, \$726.15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$7.51.

Total of contributions, \$733.66.

GRACE CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, *Rector*.

BENJAMIN SHREVE and DANIEL B. HAGAR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 2; total, 16. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; died, 2; present number, 175. Marriages, 5; Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 80.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$181.79. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$2,800. Sunday-school festival, \$75. Other parochial objects, \$805. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,861.79.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50; Convention Fund, \$30; Christian or theological education, \$28; Salem Relief Committee, \$30. Total for objects without the parish, \$140.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of missions, \$58. Domestic: Missionary box, \$100. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$36; Jews' missions, \$8. Total for missionary contributions, \$197.

Total of contributions, \$4,199.29.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D.D., *Rector.*

CHARLES H. BATES and JOHN P. PEABODY, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 17; total, 27. Confirmed, 82. Communicants: Present number, 270. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 27; scholars, 160. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 800. Chapel: Value, \$9,000; sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$6,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, and parish poor, \$398.84. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$3,813.21; subscriptions, \$900; total, \$4,713.21. Sunday school, festival at Holy Innocents, \$109.56. Sunday-school library, 135.09. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$3,555. Other parochial objects; viz., Parish rectory (costing \$6,500), about \$5,000 (balance given last year); fund for support of rectory, \$112.10; Easter decorations, \$50; gift towards new font, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$14,173.80.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$70; Convention Fund, \$30; for other objects without the parish; viz., Relief of city poor, \$25; Society for the Increase of the Ministry, \$28.04; Divinity School at Faribault, \$128.66; mission of deaf-mutes, \$10.44. Total for objects without the parish, \$292.14.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$27.16. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$146.38; Indian missions, Dakota League, \$23.85; Sunday school for Nashotah, &c., \$71.41; mission to Jews, \$32.35; missionary boxes to Minnesota, \$56; missionary boxes to Colorado, \$83.77; total, \$413.76. Foreign missions in general, Woman's Auxiliary, \$30. Total for missionary contributions, \$470.92.

Total of contributions, \$14,936.86.

REMARKS.

By divine favor, the parish has had a year of marked prosperity. The rectory has been purchased and wholly paid for, and a beginning made towards a fund for its support. The parish has no debt of any kind.

The interior of the church has been handsomely decorated by an accomplished artist, and new windows of stained glass have replaced the old.

CHRIST CHURCH, SHEFFIELD.

The Rev. S. P. PARKER, D.D., *Rector.*

J. G. BARNARD and GEORGE H. LEMIST, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 3; total added, 6; died, 2; present number, 40. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 100. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$51.26. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$118.60; subscriptions, \$123; donations, \$15; weekly pledges, \$154; total, \$406.60. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$14.25. Other parochial objects; viz., Christmas-tree and decorations, \$23.25; for the poor, \$40; instruction-books and music, \$10. Total for objects within the parish, \$544.36.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$13; Convention Fund, \$3.75. Total for objects without the parish, \$16.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$102. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$21.04; Centennial Relief Fund, \$10. Foreign missions, 11.86; total, \$42.90. Total of all expenditures, \$706.01.

REMARKS.

In the midst of extreme pecuniary distress in Sheffield, this church has promptly paid its debts, and offered to God, for holy objects, the sum of two hundred and thirty-four dollars and ninety cents for the conventional year 1877-78, exclusive of its current expenses. There has been no abatement in the warmth of its services. During the absence of the rector, on leave, his place was ably supplied by the Rev. Andrew Oliver, D.D., of the New-York Theological Seminary, and by the Rev. John Scott of Central New York.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP, *Rector*.

REUBEN P. BENTON and SAMUEL REYNOLDS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 2; total, 10. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Admitted, 17; received, 15; total added, 32; removed, 4; present number, 89. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 90. Church: Value, \$15,000; sittings, 400. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary (7 months): Offerings at the offertory, \$618.51; subscriptions, \$606; donations, \$15; other sources, \$100; total, \$1,339.51. Sunday school, \$100. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,489.51.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$30.

Total of contributions, \$1,519.51.

REMARKS.

I entered upon my duties as rector of this parish on the first Sunday in September, 1877. My work has been blessed with a considerable amount of success. The increased number of communicants and candidates for confirmation, the attendance at the week-day services in Lent, and the Easter offertory, have been especially encouraging. Under the present circumstances, the members of the congregation deserve credit for paying the current expenses of the parish for the past year, without aid from any source. There seems to be reason, at the present time, to expect that the time is not far distant when we shall be able to contribute for objects without the parish.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, EAST SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DURELL, *Rector*.ALEXANDER WOOD and DOUGLAS FRAZAR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 38; adults, 3; total, 41. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 5; total added, 17; died, 4; removed, 8; total lost, 12; present number, 176. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 25. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 180. Church: Sitzings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$625; other sources, \$714. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,339.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Total for objects without the parish, \$52. Total of contributions, \$1,391.

REMARKS.

A serious loss has fallen upon us in the death of Mr. Edward A. Kelley, vestryman, delegate, choir-master, and lay-reader of this parish. A friend and spiritual helper to all, he was the especial help and comfort of the rector. Notwithstanding this great loss, the past year has been one of increasing prosperity and substantial growth. The works as well as the way of the church are pleasant to all the people.

An unusually large and good cabinet-organ has been purchased for the Sunday-school room. The choir and vestry rooms are made attractive by appropriate ornamentation. The entire church has been newly carpeted and the chancel walls have been made very beautiful by decorations that are especially suitable for the sanctuary. No liabilities were incurred, and are absolutely free from debt.

Valuable articles of furniture for the Holy Table were bestowed by liberal parishioner at Easter; and a full communion-service, given as a sacramental memorial of our dearly beloved lay-reader, was used for the first time that day.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTH ADAMS.

The Rev. A. B. JENNINGS, *Rector*.JOHN S. ADAMS and JAMES OSBORNE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 1; total, 4. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Present number, 50. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 50.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,200.

Total of contributions, \$1,200.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTHBOROUGH.

The Rev. JAMES I. T. COOLIDGE, D.D., *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adult, 1; total, 10. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 8; total added, 8; died, 1; removed, 10; total lost, 11; present number, 33. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 18. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

CTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$17.16. All expenses, including rector's salary, \$950. Free church, supported by offerings to be applied to all purposes. Total for objects within the \$967.16.

CTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$15.

MONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$88.05. Domestic missions in general, \$103.34. Foreign missions in general, \$20.26. Total for missionary contributions, \$211.65.

Total of contributions, \$1,193.81.

ST. MARK'S SCHOOL.

MAY 23, 1878.

Rt. Rev. BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK, D.D.:

There is nothing of unusual interest to report in relation to this school. It has gone on steadily forward in its work, with the continued confidence of its friends and its patrons.

At the close of the last year seventeen boys graduated: four entered Yale; one, Brown; and ten, Harvard; and three entered upon business.

At the annual visit of the Bishop four were confirmed. The present number of pupils is forty-five.

Very respectfully,

J. I. T. COOLIDGE, *Head Master.*

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, SOUTH GROVELAND.

The Rev. WILLIAM LLOYD HIMES, *Rector.*

CHARLES A. SHAW and WILLIAM H. PARKER, *Church-Wardens.*

SUMMS: Infants, 11; adults, 4; total, 15. Communicants: Present, 35. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 130. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

CTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$19.04. All expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$842.23; other, \$689.32; total, \$1,531.55. By Sunday school, — Easter offering, weekly offering, \$54.71; total, \$77.81. Other parochial objects; viz., audit (Easter offering), \$85; for Sunday-school library, \$56.25; for gas, \$65.61. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,835.26.

CTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Theological education, \$10.

MONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10; General Board of Missions, \$17. Domestic: Indian missions, Dakota League, value of package sent for Dakota League, \$15.50; Mexican mission, total for missionary contributions, \$50.

Total of contributions, \$1,895.26.

REMARKS.

The Report for the year 1876-77 the value of church-property in this parish is given as twelve hundred dollars. It should have been five thousand dollars.

CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD.

JOHN BLISS STEBBINS and JAMES DWIGHT BREWER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 66; adults, 26; total, 92. Confirmed, 91. Communicants: Admitted, 96; received, 41; total added, 137; died, 20; removed, 33; total lost, 53; present number, 503. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 37. Sunday schools, 4; officers and teachers, 39; scholars, 380. Sewing-schools, 2; teachers, 10; scholars, 95. Old and new church: Value, \$85,000; sittings, 1,000. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$89,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$236. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$3,900; pew-rents, \$5,000; total, \$8,900. Sunday school, offerings at Easter, &c., \$840. Parochial missions, \$272. Other parochial objects; viz., assistant Priest, \$460; Christ Church Guild, \$420. Total for objects within the parish, \$11,128.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$105; Convention Fund, \$60; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$20; Christian or theological education, \$57; for other objects without the parish; viz., Chiefly to poor and friendless, \$630. Total for objects without the parish, \$862.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$143.89. Domestic missions in general, \$37.80. Foreign missions in general, \$25.15. Total for missionary contributions, \$206.84.

Total of contributions, \$12,196.84.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Alfred Evan Johnson, assistant priest, resigned his post, and became assistant at St. Anne's Church, Lowell, at about Nov. 1, 1877. The rector, the Rev. Alexander Burgess, S.T.D., having been, on Feb. 22, 1878, chosen Bishop of Quincy, and having, on March 22, accepted the election, resigned the rectorship, to take effect upon his ordination and consecration as Bishop. So on the 15th May the parish was left without a rector. It is sure that the severance of a pastoral union of eight years and a half was very painful to both priest and people.

Throughout the whole course of his successful ministry with us he has been greatly beloved and respected by both parish and community.

A successful effort, by the Lord's favor, has been completed a few days before the Convention, to raise, by subscription, thirty thousand dollars, to relieve the parish of part of its debt.

Enough is left to require self-denial and constant beneficence on the part of the whole people. Yet there is also valuable property, which, with the rise of real estate, will go far towards freeing the parish from debt.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, STOCKBRIDGE.

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, *Rector*.

The Rev. SILAS M. ROGERS, *Assistant*.

DANIEL B. FENN, JUN., and MASON VAN DEUSEN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 32; adults, 9; total, 41. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 133. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 116. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$6,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion (exclusive of \$186.29 for special objects), \$113.31; all current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$378.36; pew-rents, \$1,146.69; subscriptions, \$406.09; donations (legacy), \$1,000; total, \$2,933.14. Sunday school, Christmas-tree, \$154.50. Parochial missions, salary of missionary assistant, \$676.75. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$210. Other parochial objects; viz., For the poor, \$22.20. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,109.90.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$28; Convention Fund, \$22.50; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$34.01. Total for objects without the parish, \$84.51.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$24.53. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$110.84; work among the colored people, \$41.79; Indian missions (Niobrara Scholarship and Dakota League), \$206.55; total, \$353.68. Foreign missions, \$53.39. Total for missionary contributions, \$436.60.

Total of contributions, \$4,631.01.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Dr. S. P. Parker had charge of the parish from June 15 to Nov. 15, during the rector's absence.

Rev. S. M. Rogers resigned the position of assistant minister at Easter, after a faithful service of three years and a half at South Lee. The above Report includes that of his work at South Lee.

Two valuable missionary boxes have been sent during the past season to the West.

CHRIST CHURCH, SWANSEA.

The Rev. WILLIAM T. FITCH, *Officiating Clergyman*.

WILLIAM H. PEARSE and HENRY C. WOOD, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Received, 1; total added, 1; present number, 13. Funeral,

1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 25.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, \$362.50; offerings at the offertory, \$20. Total for objects within the parish, \$382.50.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$3.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19.

Total of contributions, \$404.50.

REMARKS.

The Rev. William T. Fitch has officiated in Swansea thirty Sundays during the last year. The time of service has been three P.M., and the attendance from forty-five to seventy-five. There has also been service on Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR, *Rector*.

HENRY NICKOLDS and WILLIAM H. PLEADWELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adult, 1; total, 11. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Total added, 9; present number, 70. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 80. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$30.82; all current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,113.14; Ladies' Parochial Aid Society, \$85.44; Easter Fair, \$260; total, \$1,489.40. Sunday school, \$108.90. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,598.30.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$18. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$10. Christian or theological education, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$38.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17. Foreign missions in general: Woman's Auxiliary (China), \$10; the same (Africa), \$8; Sunday school (for China), \$14.43; total, \$32.43. Total for missionary contributions, \$49.43.

Total of contributions, \$1,685.73.

REMARKS.

The former rector of the parish resigned in February, 1877. The parish remained vacant until the present rector took charge, the second Sunday in July, 1877.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEABOYD, *Rector*.

WILLIAM C. LOVERING and WILLIAM H. BENT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 2; total, 19. Confirmed, 19. Communicants: Admitted, 19; received, 6; total added, 25; died, 5; removed, 12; total lost, 17; present number, 300. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 19. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 32; scholars, 260.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$333.61. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$5,378.79. Sunday school, \$180.92. Parish library, \$34.18. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$1,443.11. Other parochial objects; viz., For the poor, \$107.59. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,478.20.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$56. Convention Fund, \$37.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$26.02. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$67.16. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$50. For other objects without the parish; viz., Aid to other parishes, \$400; boxes to missionaries, \$200. Total for objects without the parish, \$836.68.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100.19. Special gifts, \$100. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$90; work among the colored people, \$65.75; Indian missions, \$65.75; special for Bishop Garrett, \$100. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$140.75; Relief Fund, \$146.26. Total for missionary contributions, \$808.70.

Total of contributions, \$9,123.58.

TRINITY CHURCH, VANDEUSENVILLE.

The Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON, *Officiating Clergyman*.

GARRETT BURGETT and CHARLES M. BALL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 3; total, 8. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; present number, 42. Marriage, 1. Funeral, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$63.08; subscriptions, \$206; other sources, \$178.26. Total for objects within the parish, \$447.34.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$1.55.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$52.06. Domestic: Domestic missions in general (Mite-chests), \$18.75; Indian missions, box of articles worth \$15. Total for missionary contributions, \$85.81. Total of contributions, \$534.70.

REMARKS.

The present rector took charge of this parish the first Sunday in May, 1877. Services are held every Sunday afternoon. The attendance is good, and the interest of the people in all good works very manifest. The *prospective* importance of this parish would fully justify all that is expended in its behalf, even though it had no history recommending it to the favorable consideration of churchmen.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, WAKEFIELD.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 4; total added, 4; died, 1; removed, 5; total lost, 6; present number, 22. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 15. Chapel: Sittings, 100. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$200 (church furniture).

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$335.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$4.35.

Total of contributions, \$339.35.

REMARKS.

Services have been regularly held on Sundays, and on week-days during Lent; other week-day services occasionally. The Rev. G. W. Huntington of Malden has kindly assisted me in the Sunday services, and occasionally a lay reader has performed the service.

CHRIST CHURCH, WALTHAM.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, *Rector*.

The Rev. GEORGE E. OSGOOD, *Assistant*.

WILLIAM R. WILLS, *Lay Reader*.

MOSES E. OSGOOD and OTIS E. HUNT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 8; total, 27. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 10; total added, 21; died, 5; removed, 7; total lost, 12; present number, 159. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 21. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$9,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$3,200. Parsonage: Value, \$6,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$18,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$183.27; all current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,947; total, \$2,130.27. Sunday school, \$40. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$323.85. Other parochial objects, \$90. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,557.12.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$45. Convention Fund, \$19. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$30. Christian or theological education, \$12. Total for objects without the parish, \$106.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$58. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$36.25; Indian missions, \$12; total, \$48.25. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$35.25; Mexico, \$12; total, \$47.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$153.50.

Total of contributions, \$2,846.62.

REMARKS.

In addition to the regular contributions which are above reported, as a result of the zealous labors of the ladies of the parish and the young people in their parochial associations, and a liberal Easter offering in church, the indebtedness on the chapel, amounting to seven hundred and eighty dollars, has been entirely cancelled. And still more recently, with an energy which does them great credit, a movement has been made by the members of the parish to secure a more desirable rectory. The sum of fifteen hundred and twenty-five dollars has thus far been generously contributed; and it is confidently expected, that with other friendly offerings that may be made, and the sale of the old parsonage, the enterprise will be successfully completed. It has given rich satisfaction to the rector and his family, and will be a decided advantage to the parish. Besides this, it gives us pleasure to report that our congregations have been steadily increasing, and that the sittings of the church are more generally taken than at any other period in its history. Nor have we been without encouraging evidence of God's blessing on our services.

CHURCH OF THE RECONCILIATION, WEBSTER.

The Rev. ROGER STRONG HOWARD, D.D., *Rector*.

JAMES H. HOWE and JAMES H. MARSHALL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 2; total, 19. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 4; total added, 8; removed, 9; total lost, 9; present number, 68. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 89. Church: Value, \$12,000; sittings, 320.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$41.48. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,323.91; Sunday-school offering, \$75.55; total, \$2,399.46. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,440.94.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund (Interest on assessment of \$750), \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$212.32. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$75.73; Indian missions, \$47.95; collection to aid in paying the indebtedness of the Missionary Board, \$25.13; total, \$148.81. Foreign missions in general, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$371.13.

Total of contributions, \$2,887.07.

REMARKS.

An eagle lecturn, finely carved, has been presented to the church, and placed in it. The interest in the Sunday school throughout the year has been fully sustained, and also in the music; and the services of the church generally have been well attended.

CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT, WESTFIELD.

The Rev. BENJAMIN W. ATWELL, *Officiating Clergyman*.

H. K. BELLOWE and PETER PROUT, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants, 30. Marriage, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 30. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$250.

TRINITY CHURCH, WEYMOUTH.

The Rev. JOHN A. JEROME, *Rector*.

EDWARD AVERY and WILLIAM S. WALLACE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adult, 1; total, 6. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 2; total added, 5; died, 2; removed, 12; total lost, 14; present number, 42. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 60. Church: Value, \$5,500; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$159.81; subscriptions, \$730; total, \$889.81. Sunday school (from the Sunday school, \$18.93), \$40.93. Increase and improvement of church-property (by Ladies' Society), \$55. Other parochial objects; viz., The poor (from Parish Guild, \$6), \$7.68. Total for objects within the parish, \$993.42.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$2.54. Convention Fund, \$8. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$3.25. For other objects without the parish; viz., Weymouth Reform Club, \$2.90. Total for objects without the parish, \$16.69.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.19. Domestic: American Church Missionary Society, \$10. Foreign missions, \$3.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$24.69.

Total of contributions, \$1,034.80.

REMARKS.

The present rector took charge of the parish Nov. 1, 1877. The persons confirmed were presented by my predecessor.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILKINSONVILLE.

The Rev. JAMES SAMUEL ELLIS, *Rector*.

HARVEY DODGE and JEPHTAH NEWTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adult, 1; total, 5. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; total added, 5; died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2; present number, 61. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$35.29. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$400; donations, \$57; other sources, annual fair, \$140; total, \$597. Sunday school, \$58.68. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$82. Total for objects within the parish, \$772.97.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$8.75. Convention Fund, \$7.50. For other objects without the parish; viz., New-York Bible and Prayer-Book Society, \$2.68. Total for objects without the parish, \$18.93.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$7.50; Mission to the Jews, \$1.20; total, \$8.70. Foreign missions in general, \$3. Total for missionary contributions, \$31.70.

Total of contributions, \$823.60.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILLIAMSTOWN.

The Rev. A. B. JENNINGS, *Officiating Clergyman.*

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Present number, 45. Marriages, 3. Chapel: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 176.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$500.

TRINITY CHURCH, WOBURN.

THE Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, *Rector.*

JOSEPH MCCARTHY and J. N. SYMONDS, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 33; adults, 9; total, 42. Confirmed, 24. Communi-
cants: Admitted, 55; received, 36; total added, 91; removed, 11; present
number, 117. Marriages, 3; Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and
teachers, 8; scholars, 57. Church: Value, \$5,500; sittings, 250. Total
valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$63.10, in-
cluded in offertory for expense account. All current expenses, including
rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$424.89; subscriptions, \$420.21;
donations, — Bishop, \$50; parish, \$50; total, \$100; other sources, \$268.10;
total, \$1,213.20. Sunday school, \$17.29. Parish library, \$15. Increase and
improvement of church-property, repairs, \$26.60. Total for objects within
the parish, \$1,272.09.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$21. Convention
Fund, \$13. Total for objects without the parish, \$34.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.

Total of contributions, \$1,321.09.

REMARKS.

The rector entered this field Sept. 8, with an earnest desire to build up this church in the Most Holy Faith, trusting to Him who alone giveth the increase. A little society has been organized to do something for the Woman's Auxiliary. A constitution has been adopted, and by-laws — a subject seven years before the parish — unanimously accepted. The debt of the parish is not different from what it was last year, — not far from three hundred dollars, the church having thus far, with only two hundred dollars' aid from the Diocesan Board, paid current expenses.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WOOD'S HOLL.

The Rev. **HIRAM CARLETON**, *Rector*.**LEWIS SWIFT** and **JABEZ DAVIS**, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 4; total, 8. Confirmed, 5; Communicants: Admitted, 5; total added, 5; present number, 35. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 26. Church: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 275. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$212.91. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$581.26; donations, \$950; total, \$1,531.26. Other parochial objects; viz., Cost of rectory, \$6,000. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,744.17. Alms at Holy Communion not included, having been bestowed mostly to needy persons without the parish.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$10.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$14.09. Total for objects without the parish, \$24.59.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic missions in general, \$42.90.

Total of contributions, \$7,811.66.

REMARKS.

A rectory has been built the past year, capacious, substantial, and in every way convenient, at a cost, according to my estimation, of six thousand dollars. It was erected on land previously belonging to the parish, which I have put at the value of a thousand dollars. Perhaps my estimates, being the rector, and particularly benefited, may be a trifle extravagant.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. **WILLIAM REED HUNTINGTON**, D.D., *Rector*.**SUMNER PRATT** and **MELATIAH B. GREEN**, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 49; adults, 14; total, 63. Confirmed, 30. Communicants: Admitted, 28; received, 2; total added, 30; died, 4; present number, about 230. Marriages, 18. Funerals, 44. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 40; scholars, 340; total, 380. Church: Sittings, 850. Chapel: Sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$366.32; collections in church, \$181.94; pew-rents, \$8,406.93; total, \$8,955.19. Sunday school, \$159.82. Parish library, \$23.58. Other parochial objects; viz., Women's work, \$555.92. Total for objects within the parish, \$9,694.51.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$140. Convention Fund, \$60. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$21.31. Home for Orphan Children, Worcester, \$55.04. St. Luke's Hospital for Convalescents, Boston, \$13.69. Christian or theological education, \$26.59. Total for objects without the parish, \$316.63.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$97.36. Domestic missions in general, \$32.48; Indian missions, \$84.88. Foreign missions, \$78.18. Total for missionary contributions, \$292.90.

Total of contributions, \$10,304.04.

TRINITY CHURCH, WRENTHAM.

The Rev. FREDERIC A. FISKE, *Minister in Charge.*DAVID N. FALES and EDMUND FELT, *Church-Wardens.*

Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Present number, 30. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 35. Church: Value, \$10,000, with the windows and furniture; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$160; pew rents, \$400; total, \$560. Other parochial objects; viz., Interest on church-debt, \$280. Total for objects within the parish, \$840.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$3.90.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.

Total of contributions, \$853.90.

REMARKS.

The parish-debt has been reduced during the year four hundred dollars, by donations from persons without the parish, and is now thirty-six hundred dollars. The members of the congregation seem to be well united, earnest, and increasingly hopeful of ultimate success. Since the last Convention I have conducted public worship in their church thirty times on the Lord's Day, officiating at Holy Communion on the second Sunday of each month, with only two exceptions. On the other Sundays of the year service has been conducted by a lay-reader from the Episcopal Theological Seminary at Cambridge. I have made occasional calls in the parish.

II.

PERSONAL REPORTS.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese:

During the past year I have been engaged in teaching, and officiating in various parishes in the Diocese as the opportunity offered.

SPRINGFIELD, May 25, 1878.

BENJ. W. ATWELL

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D.:

The only official acts which I have to report for the past year are the occasional aids which my health has allowed me to render to my brethren of the clergy by reading prayers, administering the Holy Communion, and rarely by preaching.

NARRAGANSETT PIER, R.I., May 22, 1878.

WM. R. BABCOCK

Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Sundays, when I officiated in St. Andrew's Church, Hanover, for the William Henry Brooks, D.D., comprise all the professional work which been called upon to perform during the last conventional year.

WM. S. BARTLET.

STATE CENTRE, May 16, A.D. 1878.

. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

Dear Bishop, — Although not charged with the duty of administering, I have officiated in the public services of our Church over a hundred and preached one hundred and three times during the last year, as : In Massachusetts, seven times; in Michigan, twice; in Illinois, in Ohio, five times; in Albany, thirteen times; in Vermont, sixteen in New Jersey, four times; in Long Island, five times; and in Pennsylvania, forty-nine times. I have administered the Holy Communion ten in public and twice in private, and the rite of baptism three times. solemnized one marriage, and officiated at five funerals.

Faithfully yours, &c.,

E. H. CANFIELD.

INGTON, Vt., May 20, 1878.

Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D., &c., Bishop of Massachusetts :

Dear Sir, — In obedience to the canon I beg leave respectfully to state, that since Easter, 1877, I have officiated and administered sacraments in divers parishes in Massachusetts and in one in Connecticut.

Your servant in the Lord,

NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN.

BRIDGE, May 16, 1878.

Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

I have been engaged during the past Conventional Year, as heretofore, in the discharge of my duties as Chaplain of the City Institutions in South Boston. I feel it to be a cause of great thankfulness that health and strength are graciously afforded to me. Since my last Report I have baptized two adults and two infants, performed seven marriages, officiated at six burials, and assisted at one other.

Very respectfully,

JOSEPH H. CLINCH.

Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

The undersigned would respectfully report his residence to have been in the same place the past year, under the same circumstances as heretofore.

A. CROSWELL.

BRIDGE, May 22, 1878.

. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts :

Dear Sir, — I have been employed most of the Sundays during the year in visiting vacant churches, and assisting the brethren. Have married none, none, baptized two children, recorded in Grace Church Records, &c.

Yours very truly,

GEORGE DENHAM.

ELSEA STREET, EAST BOSTON, May 25, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — I beg leave to report, that, for the last year, I have been living at my house in Westborough, and have administered the sacraments, and performed such other clerical duties as I have been able to perform, and as occasion or the kindness of my brethren of the clergy have given me opportunity to perform.

I remain, Rt. Rev. Father, faithfully yours,

H. W. FAY.

WESTBOROUGH, May 24, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

The undersigned respectfully reports performance of clerical duty on Sundays and other holy days, and the following special service: Infant baptism, one.

F. A. FOXBOROFT.

CAMBRIDGE, May 20, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin Henry Paddock, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts :

Dear Bishop, — It becomes my duty to report to you that I am not settled over parish or church, and have no public services to report, except the baptism of one infant, May 12 inst.

The causes or reasons which have prevented other public ministrations are long-continued bodily infirmities, which, with advanced age, render me almost incapable of locomotion. I hope, however, notwithstanding serious affection of spinal system, to accomplish something at least this year in furtherance of the cause of humanity.

I am, with great respect and sincere affection,

FREDERICK FREEMAN.

SANDWICH, May 18, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — The greater part of the year past, since the last Diocesan Convention, I have spent in Oxford. I have officiated frequently in the Parish Church of Cowley St. John, and occasionally elsewhere.

Faithfully yours,

W. R. GARDNER.

OXFORD, ENG., April 15, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D. :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — In making my Report as "a clergyman not regularly settled in any parish," I would say that I have, during the past year, continued my duties as Dean and Professor in the Episcopal Theological School of Massachusetts. My work has been divided into its relations to the school proper and those to St. John's Memorial Chapel. As to the latter, it devolves upon me, *ex officio*, to minister regularly on Sundays; and I have also exercised such degree of pastoral care as prior claims upon my time have allowed. I enclose herewith a statement of the condition and contributions of the congregation, which, although it is not organized, nor having any official relations to myself, yet is as united and as regular as others usually are; and its statistics should be added to those of the Diocese.

As to my work in the school, properly speaking, I have taught Homiletics and Pastoral Care, and also Systematic Divinity, besides exercising the duties of the Deanship. There have been in the school sixteen students, of whom twelve belong to this Diocese (three being resident graduates); and I am happy to testify to their diligence and consistency of demeanor. The accessions during the year exceeded those of any previous one in number; and the prospects for the coming year are such that I expect as many more to enter in the autumn.

Thanking you for your many kindnesses, yours very respectfully,
GEO. Z. GRAY.
CAMBRIDGE, May 22, 1878.

Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

I have the honor to report, that, since the date of the last Convention, I have officiated regularly at this post; and that I have baptized thirteen (13) persons, married two (2) couples, and officiated at thirteen (13) funerals.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,
OSGOOD E. HERBICK,
Post Chaplain, U. S. Army.

FORTRESS MONROE, VA., May 22, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

I have officiated on all the Sundays of the year, except two, and at other times, either by preaching, by celebrating the Holy Eucharist, or by assisting the clergy having cures, in the performance of sacred offices, as they have needed me or have given me opportunity. I have not refused in any instance, unless prevented by some previous engagement. I have also allowed myself to be called upon for private ministrations of various kinds. Baptisms: infants, eleven; adult, one. Marriages, four. Burials, sixteen.

NICHOLAS HOPPIN, *Presbyter*.

CAMBRIDGE, May 22, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese:

I have officiated during the last Conventional Year in the Dioceses of Maine and Massachusetts, my residence continuing permanently at Worcester.

The longest consecutive period for which I have held services in any one parish has been from Advent to Easter.

GEORGE S. PAINE.

WORCESTER, May 22, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts:

I have wrought in the vineyard the past year what seemed left for my hands to do. I am like the blessed apostle, in a strait betwixt two. I have a good desire to advance the cause of the Holy One, but meet with an obstacle, in my age, to please, and achieve the work. In the fellowship and communion of my Saviour I await his call to pass within the veil, where, with powers renewed, what remains yet for us to do I prophesy not, but pause to see. I have run the length of the divine promise, and a few more militant reports, and I have done. Amen.

DEXTER POTTER.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

My Dear Bishop,—During the past year I have officiated in several churches; but my principal engagements have been at St. George's, Brooklyn, and the Church of the Ascension, New York. During the past three months I have ministered at Grace Church, Nyack-on-Hudson, the rector being in Europe.

Faithfully yours,

RICHARD F. PUTNAM

69 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK, May 8, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Bishop,—On the Sunday following the last meeting of the Convention I began to do half duty, and from the 1st May to the last of September I held Sunday morning services in Grace Church, Oxford. During the season of Advent I assisted the rector of All Saints' Church, Worcester. Since then I supplied two Sundays in Webster, and two in Oxford. I have frequently assisted the rector of Webster, and I have baptized two infants.

Thanking God for restored health, and looking earnestly forward to the joy and privilege of resuming, after so long a time of enforced idleness, the full exercise of my vocation and ministry,

I remain, my dear Bishop, your faithful Presbyter,

J. D. REID

WEBSTER, May 14, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I beg leave to report that I have continued, during the past Diocesan Year, to fulfil the duties of Secretary of the Indian Commission of our Church.

Very respectfully,

ROBT. C. ROGERS

No. 32 BIBLE HOUSE, NEW YORK, May 22, 1878.

Bishop Paddock :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,—I have resigned my position as assistant minister of St. Paul's, Stockbridge, but I am still living in South Lee, where I have been endeavoring to carry on church work for the space of three years and more than seven months. I have here collected a good congregation, and also established a flourishing Sunday school. Since I took charge of this mission field I have baptized seventy-five persons, and three classes have been confirmed.

SILAS M. ROGERS

SOUTH LEE, MASS., May 22, 1878.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir :

My resignation of Trinity Church, Weymouth, offered in 1876, was accepted at Easter, 1877, and took effect on Trinity Sunday following, thus completing three years of service in addition to my earlier ministry there during a part of the year 1868, when the church was opened for public worship. Accepting the rectorship in 1874, I found the parish apparently free from debt, and the church consecrated. It became self-supporting, and so continues, as I am informed, through the liberal aid of one or two families.

Since removing from Weymouth, the "occasional services" the canon requires me to report are, Baptisms, three; administrations of the Holy Communion, eight; and assisting therein, three times; read prayers or assisted, thirty-three times; preached, thirty-four times; and performed one funeral-service. Some ministrations to the sick and afflicted may be included as "occasional services;" and those enumerated are of record in the parishes where performed, chiefly in Norfolk and Suffolk Counties. A protracted hoarseness in the winter has interfered with the public exercise of duties, which are as precious to me now, at sixty years of age, as they were thirty years ago, when Bishop Meade received my vows, and gave me Christ's commission.

I am very faithfully yours,

S. R. SLACK.

DORCHESTER, May 21, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts :

Rev. and Dear Sir,—During the past year I have been, as heretofore, engaged in teaching. I have performed no clerical duties except preaching on eight Sundays.

Very truly yours,

CARLOS SLAFTER.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

I have assisted in the administration of the Holy Communion in Trinity Church, Boston, during the past year.

EDMUND F. SLAFTER.

BOSTON, May 22, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

During the past year I have been engaged, as usual, in the duties of my professorship in the Episcopal Theological School at Cambridge.

P. H. STEENSTRA.

CAMBRIDGE, May 22, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

My Dear Bishop,—I have no returns to make, by way of filling any of the blanks on the other side of this paper. During the Conventional Year just ended I have performed *no official acts* as a Presbyter of your Diocese, but have been wholly retired from all ministerial labor, being incapacitated therefor by the infirmities of age.

With most sincere regard, affectionately yours,

JOHN S. STONE.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

In obedience to the canon, I would respectfully report that I have been residing in Flushing, L.I., during the past year, and have assisted the rector of St. George's Church from time to time, as he has desired.

EDWARD H. TRUE.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D.:

I have to report, that, during the past Conventional Year, I have officiated many times, chiefly in churches in the city of New York. The record of baptisms, marriages, &c., performed, will be found in the registers of these parishes. My health is perfectly restored.

TREADWELL WALDEN.

WHITESTONE, L.I., May 21, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese:

Until Feb. 1, 1878, I was in charge of St. Michael's Parish, Marblehead; and my work for the earlier part of the Conventional Year will be found in the Report from that parish. Since then I have been engaged in giving a course of Sunday-afternoon lectures at the hall of the Young Men's Christian Union in Boston, on "Present Doubts and Difficulties in Religion and Morals," which will be completed on the 1st of June. Most of the time since February I have also officiated twice every Sunday besides.

JULIUS H. WARD.

I officiated, by request, at seven baptisms and two funerals soon after my resignation of the Ascension Mission, East Cambridge, which took effect on the first Sunday in November last, on account of continued ill health, and with no prospect of recovery. The class for confirmation was presented to the Bishop, at his visitation in December, by my successor, the Rev. A. V. G. Allen.

WILLIAM WARLAND.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts:

During the past Diocesan Year I have been visited with an ophthalmic affliction, which, though unattended with pain or suffering, deprives me of the ability to read printed or written matter, and which I receive as a gracious warning from a loving Father, that my "day is far spent," and that the "night cometh, when no man can work." Otherwise, by the goodness of God, I am in the enjoyment of good health both physically and mentally.

I have attended St. Mark's Church in this city, and given such assistance in the services as could be rendered memoriter, every Sunday, with the exception of the month of October, when, while visiting my relatives and friends in Boston, I had the great pleasure of being present at the meetings of the General Convention, and of attending services in several of the churches in Boston.

Besides this Report I have only to add, that, as a Chaplain of the Navy, I have performed no official duties, having been retired from active service some years ago on account of age.

Very respectfully,

JOHN LEE WATSON.

ORANGE, N.J., May 15, A.D. 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D.:

My Dear Bishop,—I am once more allowed the privilege of writing to you, and I suppose it will prove to be the last official Report I shall make to you. If God has so ordered, I shall not be disappointed.

For the past year I have done nothing; and it is hard work to do nothing in the service of such a Master as mine, who has done so much for our world of miserable sinners. All I can now do is "to wait."

Your friend and obedient servant,

E. M. P. WELLS.

MISSION HOUSE, 6 TYLER STREET, May 21, 1878.

The Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — During the past Conventional Year I have served in priestly offices for a time in England and of late in this country, when my services have been sought.

Very faithfully yours,

PHELHAM WILLIAMS.

Boston, May 21, A.D. 1878.

To the Bishop of Massachusetts :

During the past Conventional Year I have performed or assisted at three hundred and seventeen services, and made several hundred pastoral calls. The chaplaincy of St. Luke's Home has been a delightful part of my work, and its services are elsewhere reported. I lectured thirty times during Lent in and about Boston, have catechised nearly every Sunday, made twenty-five Sunday-school addresses, attended various convocational, missionary, and other meetings, taking part in some, as also at consecrations, &c. The year has been full of work.

WM. C. WINSLOW.

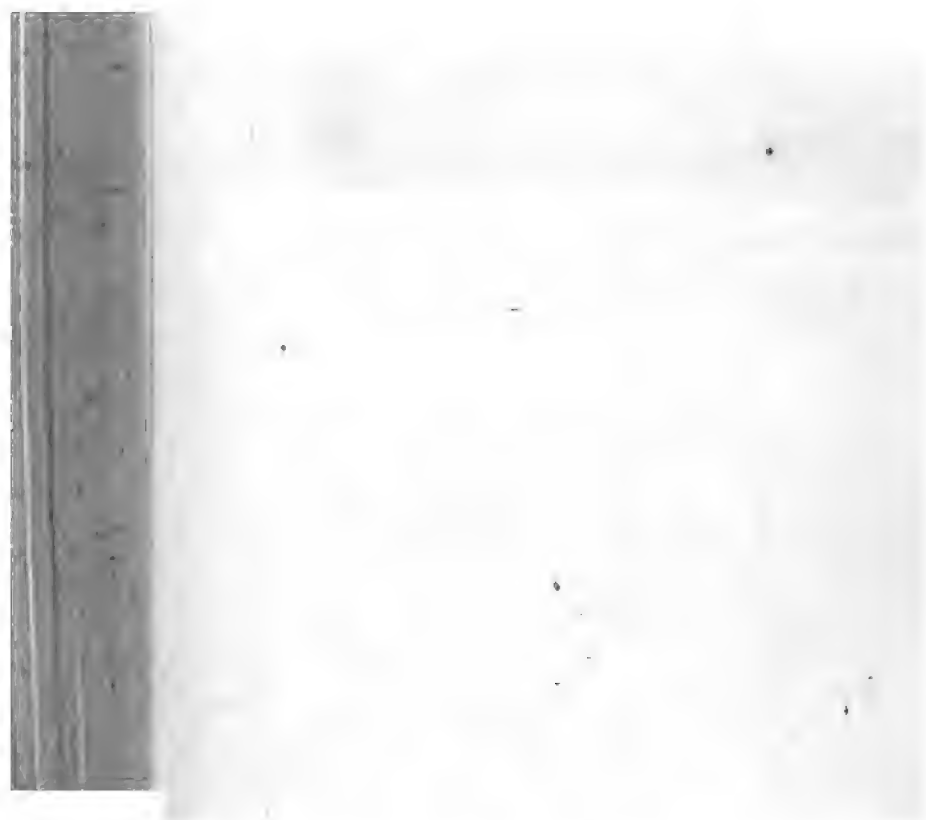
Boston, 429 BEACON STREET, May 21, 1878.



Newton.	Messiah.	St. Mary's.	H. Mackay.	5	3	8	5	11	5	15	3	4	118	264	28
North Adams.	St. John's.	T. Burgess.	F. A. Fiske.	9	1	10	3	8	10	153	2	5	85	1,973	61
North Attleborough.	Grave.	J. S. Pearce.	W. F. Lloyd.	3	2	5	3	3	3	100	2	1	162	1,482	86
Northampton.	St. John's.	St. Paul's.	G. Walker.	3	3	5	10	5	5	34	2	1	85	1,921	10
Otis.	St. Paul's.	St. Stephen's.	W. McElrathery.	11	7	11	8	10	5	90	5	2	74	1,487	32
Oxford.	Grave.	Christ.	T. A. Suively.	11	11	11	3	3	2	4	4	2	30	19	50
Peabody.	St. Paul's.	St. Stephen's.	S. R. Bailey.	7	11	10	13	6	43	45	2	8	41	1,008	00
Pittsfield.	Christ.	St. James's.	J. P. Franks.	11	11	11	8	10	5	150	4	6	70	4,004	72
Quincy.	Christ.	St. Mark's.	C. Arey, D.D.	14	2	16	11	11	2	178	1	8	130	3,461	17
Rochdale.	St. Peter's.	Christ.	S. P. Parker, D.D.	10	17	37	32	3	2	64	5	6	46	726	15
Salem.	Christ.	St. Thomas's.	N. K. Bishop.	4	10	4	3	6	2	270	6	10	187	3,861	79
Shelfield.	Emmanuel.	St. Mark's.	G. W. Durell.	8	2	10	13	32	4	40	1	3	33	14,173	80
Somerville.	St. Thomas's.	St. James's.	A. B. Jennings.	38	3	41	16	17	12	89	5	2	103	544	36
South Adams.	St. Mark's.	St. James's.	J. I. T. Coofidge, D.D.	3	1	4	7	1	1	176	16	25	240	1,489	51
South Groveland.	St. James's.	Christ.	W. L. Hines.	9	1	10	6	8	11	50	2	2	58	1,389	00
Springfield.	Christ.	St. Paul's.	A. Lawrence.	66	26	92	91	137	53	35	11	150	21	1,835	36
Stockbridge.	Christ.	St. John's.	W. T. Fitch.	32	9	41	6	6	3	303	16	37	419	11,128	84
Swansea.	Christ.	St. Thomas's.	S. S. Spear.	10	1	11	3	9	1	13	1	13	94	362	50
Taunton.	St. Thomas's.	Trinity.	C. H. Learoyd.	17	2	19	19	25	17	70	1	13	94	1,598	30
Vandensenville.	Emmanuel.	G. Walker.	D. G. Anderson.	3	3	8	4	4	4	300	8	19	292	7,478	90
Waltham.	Christ.	T. F. Fales.	R. S. Howard, D.D.	19	8	27	11	21	12	42	1	1	128	447	34
Webster.	Reconciliation.	Atonement.	B. A. Aiwell.	17	2	19	4	8	9	159	4	21	262	335	00
Westfield.	Trinity.	St. John's.	J. S. Ellis.	5	1	6	3	5	14	68	1	4	103	2,440	94
Weymouth.	St. John's.	St. James's.	A. B. Jennings	4	1	5	5	5	2	30	1	6	66	993	42
Williamstown.	Trinity.	St. John's.	J. F. Winkley	33	9	42	24	91	11	42	1	3	78	772	97
Woburn.	Messiah.	Wood's Holl.	H. Carleton.	4	4	8	5	5	4	61	1	3	125	300	00
Wood's Holl.	All Saints.	W. R. Huntington, D.D.	F. A. Fiske.	49	14	63	30	30	4	45	3	1	65	1,272	09
Worcester.	Trinity.	W. R. Huntington, D.D.	F. A. Fiske.	49	14	63	30	30	4	117	3	1	65	7,744	17
Wrentham.	Trinity.	W. R. Huntington, D.D.	F. A. Fiske.	49	14	63	30	30	4	35	3	1	65	9,694	51
										280	18	44	380	840	00
										30	1	40	40		
										1581	539	1119	14285	\$402,785	06
										829	1446	1707		\$53,715	59

* No report.

† Number last reported.





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APPENDIX B.

CR. THE DIOCESE OF MASS., *in account with* CHAS. H. LEABOYD, *Treas.*

By Balance from last year.....	\$239 91
Assessment of Grace Church, Amherst.....	18 00
" Christ Church, Andover.....	22 50
" St. John's Church, Ashfield.....	3 00
" Church of the Messiah, Anburndale.....	5 00
" St. Peter's Church, Beverly.....	15 00
" Church of the Advent, Boston.....	45 00
" Christ Church, Boston.....	22 50
" Emmanuel Church, Boston.....	90 00
" Church of the Messiah, Boston.....	30 00
" St. James's Church, Roxbury.....	45 00
" St. John's Church, Roxbury.....	22 50
" St. John's Church, Charlestown.....	30 00
" St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain.....	37 50
" St. Margaret's Church, Brighton.....	12 00
" St. Mary's Church, Dorchester.....	37 50
" St. Matthew's Church, South Boston.....	30 00
" St. Paul's Church, Boston.....	90 00
" Trinity Church, Boston.....	120 00
" St. Paul's Church, Brookline.....	45 50
" Christ Church, Cambridge.....	37 50
" St. James's Church, Cambridge.....	10 00
" St. Peter's Church, Cambridge.....	35 00
" St. Paul's Church, Dedham.....	30 00
" St. Philip's Church, Easthampton.....	6 75
" Church of the Ascension, Fall River.....	24 00
" Christ Church, Fitchburg.....	27 00
" St. John's Church, Framingham.....	8 00
" St. John's Church, Gloucester.....	1 00
" St. James's Church, Great Barrington.....	18 00
" St. James's Church, Greenfield.....	15 00
" St. Andrew's Church, Hanover.....	18 00
" Trinity Church, Haverhill.....	22 50
" St. Paul's Church, Holyoke.....	20 71
" St. Luke's Church, Lanesborough.....	6 77
" Grace Church, Lawrence.....	35 00
" St. John's Church, Lawrence.....	22 50
" St. George's Church, Lee.....	3 50
" St. Anne's Church, Lowell.....	30 00
" St. Paul's Church, Malden.....	15 50
" St. Paul's Church, Malden, for 1876.....	5 50
" Grace Church, Medford.....	30 00
" Trinity Church, Milford.....	12 00
" Grace Church, New Bedford.....	30 00
" St. Paul's Church, Newburyport.....	30 00
" Grace Church, Newton.....	37 50
" St. Mary's Church, Newton Lower Falls.....	22 50
" Grace Church, North Attleborough.....	5 25
" St. John's Church, North Adams.....	15 00
" St. Peter's Church, Salem.....	30 00
Amount carried forward.....	\$1,509 49

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THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS, *in account*

<i>Amount brought forward.....</i>		\$1,500 49
By Assessment of Christ Church, Sheffield.....		3 75
" Emmanuel Church, Somerville.....		15 00
" Emmanuel Church, Somerville, for 1876.....		15 00
" St. Thomas's Church, East Somerville.....		10 50
" St. Mark's Church, Southborough.....		12 00
" St. James's Church, South Groveland.....		15 00
" St. Anne's Church, South Lincoln.....		5 00
" Christ Church, Springfield.....		45 00
" St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge.....		22 50
" St. Thomas's Church, Taunton.....		37 50
" St. John's Church, Taunton.....		13 50
" Trinity Church, Van Deusenville.....		3 75
" Christ Church, Waltham.....		19 00
" Church of Reconciliation, Webster.....		22 50
" Church of Atonement, Westfield.....		6 00
" Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl.....		7 50
" All Saints' Church, Worcester.....		60 00
" Trinity Church, Wrentham.....		3 90
" Trinity Church, Wrentham, for 1876.....		3 90
" Grace Church, Fiskdale.....		15 00
" Trinity Church, Woburn.....		9 00
" Trinity Church, Weymouth.....		8 00
" St. John's Church, Wilkinsons ville.....		7 50
" St. John's Church, Millville.....		5 00
" Grace Church, Salem.....		30 00
" St. Stephen's Church, Lynn.....		22 50
" Christ Church, Quincy.....		5 00
" Christ Church, Swansea.....		3 00
" Calvary Church, Danvers.....		6 00
		\$2,000 79

The following is a list of the Parishes which have failed to pay their assessment to the Convention Fund:—

Amesbury, St. James's Church; Dorchester, All Saints' Church; East Boston, St. John's Church; St. Mary's Church for Sailors, Boston; Bridgewater, Trinity Church; Chelsea, St. Luke's Church; Hyde Park, Christ Church; Ipswich, Church of the Ascension; Lenox, Trinity Church; Longwood, Church of Our Saviour; Lowell, St. John's Church; Marblehead, St. Michael's Church; Melrose, Trinity Church; Nantucket, St. Paul's Church; Northampton, St. John's Church; Pittsfield, St. Stephen's Church; Rochdale, Christ Church; South Adams, St. Mark's Church.

with CHARLES H. LEAROYD, *Treasurer.*

Dr.

1877.		
May 2,	To cash paid Bill of Secretary of Convention.....	\$3 10
" 3,	" " Rev. Lewis Green, travelling expenses	9 00
" 8,	" " Bill of Secretary of Standing Committee.....	10 00
" 9,	" " " Convention	319 90
" 11,	" " " Organist for Convention	10 00
" 17,	" " " Weaver, Shipman, & Co.....	18 00
June 8,	" " " Sexton of St. Paul's Church, Boston.....	44 00
July 24,	" " " A. Williams & Co.....	36 00
" 24,	" " " A. Mudge & Son.....	460 25
Dec. 7,	" " Assessment to General Convention.....	453 00
1878.		
Jan. 30,	" " Bill of Treasurer.....	100 00
Feb. 1,	" " for postage and stationery.....	8 00
April 26,	" " Bill of Bishop Paddock.....	35 65
May 10,	" " Extra Assessment to General Convention.....	161 00
" 17,	" " Bill of H. T. Pratt.....	8 00
	Balance on hand.....	\$1,665 90
		334 80
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		\$2,000 70

REPORT
OF JOSEPH W. CLARK, TREASURER OF THE EPISCOPAL CLERICAL
BOSTON, MAY 21, 1878.

Cash on hand as reported May 1, 1877.....	\$251 14
Income from Investments.....	113 61
Convention Collection.....	883 07
Received from Churches and others.....	—

Paid Beneficiary No. 2.....	\$300 00
" " " 4.....	300 00
" " " 3.....	200 00
" " " 1.....	200 00
" " " 5.....	200 00
" " " 6.....	100 00

Balance on hand May 21, 1878.....

1877.		RECEIPTS IN DETAIL.
May	5.	Offering at Annual Convention.....
"	5.	Mr. J. S. Blatchford.....
"	14.	St. Luke's Church, Lanesborough.....
"	15.	St. James's Church, North Cambridge.....
July	3.	Coupons, Burlington and Missouri Bonds.....
"	3.	Coupons, United-States Gold Bond (and Premium).....
Oct.	1.	St. Michael's Church, Marblehead.....
"	4.	Coupons, Burlington and Missouri Land-Grant Bonds.....
"	30.	St. Thomas's Church, Taunton.....
Dec.	10.	Marlborough Mission.....
"	26.	Church of the Messiah, Boston.....
"	"	Mr. J. W. Clark, Boston.....
"	27.	St. Paul's Church, Boston.....
"	27.	St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge.....
"	27.	Christ Church, Quincy.....
"	27.	St. John's Church, Framingham.....
1878.		
Jan.	1.	St. Paul's Church, Brookline.....
"	1.	Grace Church, Newton.....
"	2.	St. John's Church, Ashfield.....
"	2.	Coupons, Burlington and Missouri Bonds.....
"	2.	Coupons, United-States Gold Bond (and Premium).....
"	3.	Christ Church, Cambridge.....
"	5.	St. Andrew's Church, Hanover.....
"	10.	St. James's Church, Greenfield.....
"	10.	St. Michael's Church, Marblehead.....
"	11.	Christ Church, Andover.....
"	14.	Marlborough Mission.....
"	30.	St. Paul's Parish, Hopkinton.....
Feb.	25.	H. R. Hinckley, Executor of Estate of Dr. Morland.....
April	2.	Coupons, Burlington and Missouri Land-Grant Bonds.....
"	25.	St. Paul's Church, Dedham.....
May	3.	St. James's Church, Cambridge.....
"	15.	St. Paul's Church, Holyoke.....

MEMORANDUM OF ASSETS.

Burlington and Missouri Railroad Bond, 7 per cent.....	\$2
Burlington and Missouri (Nebraska), 8 per cent.....	1
United-States 6 per cent Gold Bond.....	—

Missisquoi 7 per cent Railroad Bonds, — doubtful..... 6

Boston, May 21, 1871. The undersigned, appointed to audit the accounts of the urer of "The Episcopal Clerical Fund," hereby certify that they have examined the and find them correctly kept, — all the items duly entered, — and they have seen the as follows: —

- \$2,000, Burlington and Missouri Railroad Bonds, 7 per cent, Land Grants.
- 1,000, Burlington and Missouri Railroad in Nebraska, 8 per cent, Land Grants.
- 500, United-States 6 per cents, 1881.
- 6,000, Missisquoi Railroad Coupon Bonds, 7 per cent.

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FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR THE YEAR 1877-78.

Treasurer's Statement.

	RECEIPTS.	No. of Offerings.	Amounts.
from Amherst, St. James's.....		1	\$30 00
Amherst, Grace.....		2	35 00
Andover, Christ.....		1	5 00
Arlington, St. John's.....		2	17 00
Ashfield, St. John's.....		2	11 00
Beverly, St. Peter's.....		3	256 38
Boston, Advent.....		2	17 86
" All Saints, Dorchester.....		2	40 00
" Christ.....		1	1,156 00
" Emmanuel.....		2	
" Evangelist.....		2	17 00
" Grace, South Boston.....		1	38 59
" Good Shepherd.....		1	20 32
" Messiah.....		1	32 33
" St. James's, Highlands.....		1	33 43
" St. John's, Highlands.....		2	
" St. John's, Charlestown.....		2	7 00
" St. John's, East Boston.....		2	40 00
" St. John's, Jamaica Plain.....		2	19 69
" St. Margaret's, Brighton.....		1	
" St. Mark's.....		1	12 37
" St. Mary's, Dorchester.....		1	5 00
" St. Mary's, for Sailors.....		1	
" St. Matthew's, South Boston.....		1	528 03
" St. Paul's.....		2	5 30
" St. Stephen's.....		2	1,825 16
" Trinity.....		2	
Bridgewater, Trinity.....		2	18 80
Brockton, St. Paul's Mission.....		1	7 00
Brookline, St. Paul's.....		2	194 73
Cambridge, Ascension Mission.....		2	22 02
" Christ.....		1	20 00
" St. James's.....		1	10 74
" St. John's Memorial.....		1	41 00
" St. Peter's.....		1	28 00
Chelmsford, St. Anne's.....		1	2 35
Chelsea, St. Luke's.....		1	22 00
Chicopee, Grace.....		2	23 46
Clinton, Good Shepherd.....		1	10 50
Danvers, Calvary.....		2	157 73
Dedham, St. Paul's.....		2	10 00
Easthampton, St. Philip's.....		3	62 50
Fall River, Ascension.....		1	
Fitchburg, Grace.....		1	42 00
Fitchburg, Christ.....		3	35 00
Fransingham, St. John's.....		2	17 45
Gloucester, St. John's.....		1	35 53
Great Barrington, St. James's.....		2	33 00
Greenfield, St. James's.....		2	42 32
Hanover, St. Andrew's.....		4	28 00
Haverhill, St. John Evangelist.....		2	19 71
" Trinity.....		3	8 97
Holyoke, St. Paul's.....		1	7 09
Hopkinton, St. Paul's.....		2	18 00
Hudson, Mission.....		2	
Hyde Park, Christ.....		2	7 61
Ipswich, Ascension.....		1	34 58
Lanesborough, St. Luke's.....		2	14 33
Lawrence, Grace.....		1	5 00
" St. John's.....		1	20 00
Lee, St. George's.....		1	
Lenox, Trinity.....		1	
Lincoln, St. Anne's.....			
Amount carried forward.....			\$4,647 88

	No of offerings.	Amount
<i>Amount brought forward</i>		\$4,647 88
Longwood, Our Saviour.....	2	838 88
Lowell, St. Anne's.....	5	180 79
" St. John's.....	2	27 00
Lynn, St. Stephen's.....	2	16 23
Malden, St. Paul's.....	3	23 60
Marblehead, St. Michael's.....		
Marlborough, Mission.....	2	13 94
Medford, Grace.....	1	12 25
Melrose, Trinity.....	2	19 60
Millbury, Mission.....	1	1 50
Millford, Trinity.....	2	18 50
Millville, St. John's.....		
Nantucket, St. Paul's.....	2	24 00
Natick, St. Paul's.....	1	10 00
New Bedford, Grace.....	2	72 95
Newburyport, St. Paul's.....	1	24 88
Newton, Grace.....	2	26 50
" Messiah.....		
" St. Mary's.....		
North Adams, St. John's.....	3	21 50
North Attleborough, Grace.....	2	21 20
Northampton, St. John's.....		
Oakdale, Good Shepherd.....	1	17 54
Otis, St. Paul's.....		
Peabody, St. Paul's.....	2	16 62
Pittsfield, St. Stephen's.....	1	20 00
Plymouth, Christ.....	1	10 00
Quincy, Christ.....	1	10 32
Rochdale, Christ.....	2	7 51
Salem, Grace.....	1	28 00
" St. Peter's.....	1	27 16
Sheffield, Christ.....	3	102 00
Somerville, Emmanuel.....		
" St. Thomas's.....	2	20 00
South Adams, St. Mark's.....		
Southborough, St. Mark's.....	2	88 06
South Groveland, St. James's.....	3	20 00
Springfield, Christ.....	4	143 80
Stockbridge, St. Paul's.....	1	24 53
Swansea, Christ.....	1	19 00
Taunton, St. John's.....	2	17 00
" St. Thomas's.....	2	100 19
Vandusenville, Trinity.....	3	52 06
Wakefield, Emmanuel.....	1	2 35
Waltham, Christ.....	2	58 00
Ware, Trinity.....		
Webster, Reconciliation.....	2	212 32
Westfield, Atonement.....		
Weymouth, Trinity.....	1	11 19
Wilkinsonville, St. John's.....	3	20 00
Williamstown, St. John's.....		
Woburn, Trinity.....		
Wood's Holl, Messiah.....	2	48 78
Worcester, All Saints'.....	3	97 36
" St. Matthew's.....		
Wrentham, Trinity.....	1	10 00
Central Conventions.....		\$46 99
Southern Conventions.....		18 74
Individual gifts for current uses.....		
Individual gifts for special uses as follows:—		
Extinguishment of debt, St. Paul's Church, Natick....		\$2,963 91
"Guaranty Fund".....		3,402 50
For St. John's Church, East Boston.....		50 00
For St. Anne's Mission, Dorchester.....		50 00
Excess of receipts for extinguishing the debt of the Board		
in May, 1877.....		
Special gifts for extinguishing debt, May, 1878.....		\$545 00
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XII. Miscellaneous business.

XIII. Elections, to be proceeded with at 11 o'clock A.M., in the following order:—

1. Of Treasurer of the Convention.
2. Of Registrar.
3. Of Deputies to the General Convention.
4. Of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.
5. Selection of persons to be nominated to the General Convention, or the Board of Trustees, as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.
6. Election of Members of the Diocesan Board of Missions.
7. Of Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.
8. Of Committee on entertaining the Clerical Members of the Convention.

XIV. Miscellaneous business.

XV. Adjournment to the third day, if the Convention be prolonged.

THIRD OR OTHER SUBSEQUENT DAY OF THE SESSION.

XVI. 1. Morning prayer, reading, etc., of the Minutes, reception of new members, calling of the roll, and finishing of business under consideration at last adjournment, as on the second day.

2. The disposal of the unfinished business of the Convention in the order above prescribed.

XVII. When the Convention shall be prepared to adjourn without day, there shall be reading of the Minutes, not already approved, and action thereon; then, after Prayers and Benediction by the President, the Convention shall stand so adjourned, without day.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I. When the President takes the chair no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

No member shall absent himself from the Convention, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the Convention, nor more than once, until others desiring to speak shall have spoken.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put shall vote, unless he be personally interested in the question, or be excused by the Convention for reasons assigned.

RULE II. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE III. No motion shall be considered as before the Convention unless seconded by a member not belonging to the same Parish with the mover; and every motion shall, if required, be reduced to writing, and the name of the mover appended.

RULE IV. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read, and entered on the Minutes, unless otherwise determined by the Convention; and, if accompanied by resolutions, the question shall be on adopting them.

RULE V. When a question is before the Convention, it shall be in order—1, To lay on the table; 2, To postpone to a day certain; 3, To commit;

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om Trustees of Fund for the Erection of Churches, etc.

om the Trustees of Donations.

om the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society.

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	No of offerings.	Amounts.
<i>Amount brought forward</i>		\$4,647 88
Longwood, Our Saviour.....	2	338 88
Lowell, St. Anne's.....	5	160 79
" St. John's.....	2	27 00
Lynn, St. Stephen's.....	2	16 22
Malden, St. Paul's.....	3	23 60
Marblehead, St. Michael's.....		
Marlborough, Mission.....	2	13 94
Medford, Grace.....	1	12 25
Melrose, Trinity.....	2	19 00
Millbury, Mission.....	1	1 60
Millford, Trinity.....	2	18 60
Millville, St. John's.....		
Nantucket, St. Paul's.....	2	24 00
Natick, St. Paul's.....	1	10 00
New Bedford, Grace.....	2	72 95
Newburyport, St. Paul's.....	1	24 88
Newton, Grace.....	2	36 69
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" St. Mary's.....		
North Adams, St. John's.....	3	21 60
North Attleborough, Grace.....	2	21 20
Northampton, St. John's.....		
Oakdale, Good Shepherd.....	1	17 84
Otis, St. Paul's.....		
Peabody, St. Paul's.....	2	16 62
Pittsfield, St. Stephen's.....	1	30 00
Plymouth, Christ.....	1	10 00
Quincy, Christ.....	1	10 83
Rochdale, Christ.....	2	7 61
Salem, Grace.....	1	28 00
" St. Peter's.....	1	27 16
Sheffield, Christ.....	3	102 00
Somerville, Emmanuel.....		
" St. Thomas's.....	2	20 00
South Adams, St. Mark's.....		
Southborough, St. Mark's.....	2	63 06
South Groveland, St. James's.....	3	20 00
Springfield, Christ.....	4	143 89
Stockbridge, St. Paul's.....	1	24 53
Swansea, Christ.....	1	19 00
Taunton, St. John's.....	2	17 00
" St. Thomas's.....	2	100 19
Vanduseenville, Trinity.....	3	52 06
Wakefield, Emmanuel.....	1	2 35
Waltham, Christ.....	2	58 00
Ware, Trinity.....		
Webster, Reconciliation.....	2	212 32
Westfield, Atonement.....		
Weymouth, Trinity.....	1	11 19
Wilkinsonville, St. John's.....	3	20 00
Williamstown, St. John's.....		
Woburn, Trinity.....		
Wood's Hole, Mosesiah.....	2	48 78
Worcester, All Saints.....	3	97 36
" St. Matthew's.....		
Wrentham, Trinity.....	1	10 00
Central Convocations.....		\$46 99
Southern Conventions.....		13 74
Individual gifts for current uses.....		60
Individual gifts for special uses as follows:—		738
Extinguishment of debt, St. Paul's Church, Natick....		\$2,963 91
"Guaranty Fund".....		3,462 50
For St. John's Church, East Boston.....		50 00
For St. Anne's Mission, Dorchester.....		50 00
Excess of receipts for extinguishing the debt of the Board in May, 1877.....		6,526
Special gifts for extinguishing debt, May, 1878.....		17
Pledges for extinguishing debt, May, 1878.....		\$545 00
		1,067 87
		1,612 51
		\$15,644 51

PAYMENTS.

To Amesbury, St. James's, 2 months	\$50 00
Arlington, St. John's.....	200 00
Ashfield, St. John's.....	300 00
Bridgewater, Trinity.....	300 00
Brighton, St. Margaret's.....	200 00
Brockton, St. Paul's Mission.....	550 00
Cambridge, Ascension Mission.....	250 00
Chelmsford, St. Anne's.....	100 00
Cherry Valley, Mission.....	100 00
Clinton, Good Shepherd.....	400 00
Danvers, Calvary.....	150 00
Dorchester Lower Mills, All Saints'	200 00
Easthampton, St. Philip's.....	150 00
Framingham, St. John's.....	200 00
Gloucester, St. John's.....	366 64
Hopkinton, St. Paul's (including Marlborough Mission).....	150 00
Hudson Mission.....	14 00
Lee, St. George's.....	400 00
Millbury, Mission.....	150 00
Millford, Trinity.....	200 00
Millville, St. John's, 9 months.....	187 50
Nantucket, St. Paul's.....	400 00
Natick, St. Paul's.....	500 00
North Attleborough, Grace.....	300 00
Ods, St. Paul's.....	25 00
Oxford, Grace, 7 months.....	175 00
Peabody, St. Paul's.....	250 00
Rochdale, Christ.....	300 00
Sheffield, Christ.....	250 00
Somerville, St. Thomas's.....	250 00
Vandensenville, Trinity.....	175 00
Wakefield, Emmanuel.....	300 00
Westfield, Atonement.....	286 65
West Newton and Auburndale, Messiah.....	200 00
Wilkinsonville, St. John's.....	200 00
Woburn, Trinity, 7½ months.....	129 18
Wrentham, Trinity.....	150 00
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	\$8,488 94
East Boston, St. John's, special.....	50 00
Dorchester, St. Anne's Mission, special.....	50 00
Natick, St. Paul's, special for extinguishment of its debt.....	2,963 91
Publication and distribution of <i>The Diocese</i>	313 26
Expense account.....	315 90
Investment of Guaranty Fund.....	3,462 50
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J. S. BLATCHFORD, Treasurer.

DR. HOWARD STOCKTON, *Treasurer, in account with the Society for*

		<i>Charity.</i>	<i>Annuity.</i>
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May 2,	To Balance.....		\$1,926 81
" 2,	" Contribution from St. Thomas's Church, Taunton	\$36 92	
" 2,	" " " St. James's Church, No. Cambridge..	18 56	
" 17,	" " " J. Story Fay, Esq.....	24 09	
" 20,	" Am't received for U.S. reg. bond, No. 1007 (called in)...	1,057 29	
Nov. 20,	" Contribution from Grace Church, Lawrence.....	25 07	
Dec. 12,	" " " All Saints' Church, Worcester.....	21 31	
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Jan. 1,	" " " St. James's Church, Great Barrington	5 70	
" 1,	" " " Trinity Church, Vandeusenville	1 55	
" 16,	" " " Trinity Church, Weymouth.....	3 25	
March 7,	" " " Church of Our Saviour, Longwood..	153 15	
April 2,	" " " St. Anne's Church, Lowell	2 00	
" 2,	" Dividends and interest for the year ending April 2, 1878,	1,422 16	2,754 94
" 2,	" Payments for annuities " " " "	.....	415 00
" 2,	" " " membership " " " "	9 00	
" 2,	" Balance.....	338 95	
		\$3,119 00	\$5,096 75

Boston, April 17, 1878.

The undersigned have examined the foregoing account, and find it to be correctly cast, and properly vouched for.

We have also seen the evidences of property on hand belonging to the Society, amounting in all to the par value of \$74,049.51, and to the market value of \$74,039.51.

JOS. S. FAY,
FRANCIS C. FOSTER, } *Auditing Committee.*

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APPENDIX C.

A Standing Order of Business and Rules of Order of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY OF THE SESSION.

A.M.

At the hour appointed for the opening of the Convention the President shall take the chair, when the order of procedure shall be as follows:—

I. 1. The Lord's Prayer, and the "Prayer to be used at the Meetings of Conventions."

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats and votes, and of those entitled only to seats in the Convention. He shall then call the names of Parishes, and receive certificates, as by Sect. 4, Canon 2, Title I.

3. The President shall appoint a Committee on Qualifications, to whom the list of the Clergy and the credentials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred.

II. Morning Prayer, and Sermon or Charge, and the administration of the Holy Communion.

III. 1. Immediately after Divine Service, the Committee on Qualifications shall report. The Convention shall act at once and without debate upon all undisputed names and credentials. All questions of membership raised by the Committee or by the Convention shall be laid aside temporarily.

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Lay Delegates, as the same shall have been approved by the Convention.

3. A constitutional quorum of both Orders being present, the President shall declare the Convention organized for business.

4. The election of a Secretary.

5. The reading of the Rules of Order of the last Convention.

6. The appointment by the President of five Standing Committees; viz., A Committee on the Admission of New Parishes; a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, — to consist each of five members, three Clergymen and two Laymen; an Executive Committee, for nominating the Preachers of Sermons before this Body, and for recommending the time and place for

holding the next Convention, — to consist of three members, two Clergymen and one Layman; a Committee on Unfinished Business; and a Committee on Finance, to consist each of three members, one Clergyman and two Laymen.

7. The receiving and referring of papers in respect to the admission of new Parishes.

8. A recess shall be ordered.

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IV. Report of the Committee on Qualifications, on Certificates and Documents laid aside. The Convention shall take immediate action. Subsequent Reports of the Committee on Qualifications shall be in order at any time.

V. 1. The Annual Address of the Bishop, unless he shall prefer another time for its delivery.

2. Reference of matters therein contained, if so ordered, to Committees.

3. Presentation of subjects by resolutions, to be referred without debate to Standing or Special Committees.

VI. Reports and actions upon them, in the following order:—

1. Parochial Reports to be received by the Bishop.

2. Report from the Committee on New Parishes, the Admission of the Parishes, and the Reception of their Lay Delegates.

3. Report from the Standing Committee.

4. Report from the Diocesan Board of Missions.

5. Reports from the Convocations.

6. Reports from Special Committees appointed at the preceding Convention.

7. Report from the Treasurer of the Convention.

8. Report from the Registrar of the Convention.

9. Report from the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

10. Report from the Episcopal Church Association.

11. Report from Trustees of Fund for the Erection of Churches, etc.

12. Report from the Trustees of Donations.

13. Report from the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society.

14. Report from the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

15. Report from the Episcopal Clerical Fund.

16. Reports from any other Church or Charitable Societies recognized by the Convention.

17. Reports from any of the Standing Committees of the Convention, in their order, as in III. 6. If any report be not ready in the order prescribed above, more time may be allowed; and it shall be presented and be in order at the first vacancy in the regular business after it shall be prepared.

VII. Miscellaneous business.

VIII. Adjournment to the second day.

SECOND DAY OF THE SESSION.

IX. 1. Morning Prayer at 9 A.M.

2. Reading of Minutes of the first day, and action upon them.

3. The calling of the roll.

X. 1. The finishing of the business which was under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Convention.

2. The disposal of unfinished business in the order above prescribed for the first day.

XI. 1. The Standing Committees shall be called in their order: reports may be received from any of them, and action may be taken thereon.

2. Reports of Special or other Committees on matters referred to them during the session, and action thereon.

The Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR, Rector of St. John's, Taunton.
 The Rev. ORLANDO FRARY STARKEY, Mystic, Conn.
 The Rev. PETER H. STEENSTRA, Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
 The Rev. JOHN SEELEY STONE, D.D., Emeritus Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
 The Rev. LEONARD KIP STORRS, Rector of St. Paul's, Brookline.
 The Rev. EDWARD HYDE TRUE, Flushing, L.I.
 The Rev. THEODOSIUS STEVENS TYNG, Rector of St. James's, Cambridge.
 The Rev. ROBERT BOYD VAN KLEECK, D.D., White Plains, N.Y.
 The Rev. TREADWELL WALDEN, Fishkill on the Hudson, N.Y.
 The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, Rector of Calvary Church, Danvers, and Ministry at St. Paul's, Peabody.
 The Rev. JULIUS HAMMOND WARD, residing in Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM WARLAND, residing at Cambridge.
 The Rev. JULIUS HENRY WATERBURY, Chaplain of the State Prison, Concord.
 The Rev. JOHN LEE WATSON, D.D., Chaplain U. S. Navy, Orange, N.J.
 The Rev. ELEAZAR MATHER PORTER WELLS, D.D., residing in Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM GOODHUE WELLS, Rector of St. John's, Lawrence.
 The Rev. PELHAM WILLIAMS, S.T.D., residing in Boston.
 The Rev. GEORGE ROGERS WHEELOCK, Rector of Trinity Church, Milford.
 The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE, Minister of St. John the Evangelist, Haverhill.
 The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, Chaplain of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston.
 The Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, Rector of Trinity Church, Woburn.
 The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, Rector of St. Matthew's, South Boston, and Chaplain of the Church Home for Orphans.

Bishop	1
Presbyters	140
Deacons	8
Total	149

II.

List of Parishes.

I.

IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

MAY 1, 1878.

Amesbury, St. James's.	Boston, Good Shepherd.
Amherst, Grace.	" (East), St. John's.
Andover, Christ.	" (Highlands), St. James's.
Ashfield, St. John's.	" (Highlands), St. John's.
Beverly, St. Peter's.	" (Charlestown), St. John's.
Boston, Christ.	" (Dorchester), St. Mary's.
" Trinity.	" (Mattapan), Grace.
" St. Paul's.	" (Lower Mills), All Saints'.
" Church of the Messiah.	" (Jamaica Plain), St. John's.
" Church of the Advent.	" (Brighton), St. Margaret's.
" Emmanuel.	Bridgewater, Trinity.
" St. Mary for Sailors.	Brookline, St. Paul's.
" (South), St. Matthew's.	Cambridge, Christ.

4, To amend; 5, To postpone indefinitely: and motions for any of these proceedings shall have precedence in the order in which they are here named, and a question on any of these shall be decided before the original motion.

RULE VI. If the question under debate contains distinct propositions, the same shall be divided at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

RULE VII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order; but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter, may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

If a motion to lay on the table an amendment be carried, the matter before the Convention shall be proceeded with as if no such amendment had been offered.

RULE VIII. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

RULE IX. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking, and, if unqualified, shall be decided without debate.

RULE X. All questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Convention.

RULE XI. Record shall be made upon the Minutes of every motion or resolution which is put upon its passage, or upon which any action allowed by Rule V. shall have been taken: but, with the consent of the Convention, the mover may withdraw a motion or resolution at any time before such action has been taken, or it has been put upon its passage; in which case it shall not be entered on the Minutes.

RULE XII. An address or communication from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

RULE XIII. A question having been decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, nor unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority on the original decision.

RULE XIV. In elections by ballot the polls shall be closed when the Tellers or Committee appointed to count the ballots withdraw from the room in which the Convention is held; and no clerical or lay members shall be allowed to vote after that time, except by direct permission of the Convention on the application in form of each member desiring so to vote; and the reasons of his not having previously voted shall be stated by him to the Convention before his application is entertained.

RULE XV. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

RULE XVI. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

RULE XVII. The Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every convention.

RULE XVIII. For the suspension of any part of the Standing Order of business, or of any of the Rules of Order, the consent of two-thirds of the members present shall be necessary.

GUIDE IN ORGANIZING NEW PARISHES.

A resolution of Convention (Journal of 1871, pp. 45, 46, and 6) recommends as a guide to new Parishes in organizing the form of Constitution and By-Laws hereto appended. An impor-

Cherry Valley.
 Clinton, Good Shepherd.
 Haverhill, St. John the Evangelist.
 Marion.
 Marlborough.
 Millbury.

Peabody.
 South Lee.
 Springfield.
 West Springfield, Good Shepherd.
 Williamstown, St. John's.

APPENDIX E.

Diocese of Massachusetts.

1878.

BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

The Rt. Rev. BENJAMIN HENRY PADDOCK, D.D.

Secretary of the Convention.

The Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S.T.D., Residence, 514 E. Broadway, S.B.

Assistant Secretary.

The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D., Residence, Hanover.

Treasurer of the Convention.

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Standing Committee.

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" THOMAS F. FALES,
 " HIRAM CARLETON, D.D.

Parish, and entitled to vote in all its affairs while he continues such member; but no member who shall disclaim or refuse conformity to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid shall be eligible to any office or function in this Parish, or be entitled to vote in its affairs.

Fourth, The Rector of this Parish shall be elected by the members thereof, unless the By-Laws otherwise provide; but no person shall be eligible to that office unless he shall have had Episcopal ordination, and unless he be in full standing with the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid, and recognized as such by the Bishop of this Diocese, or, in case of a vacancy, by the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Fifth, All the property of this Parish shall be taken and held subject to the control and disposition of the Vestry of the same, but shall not be sold or conveyed without the vote of the Parish; but the rents, revenues, and incomes of the same shall be applied from time to time to the support of the Rector or Minister thereof, and for the erection and repairs of the church, churchyard, parsonage, and other buildings belonging to the same, and other necessary Parish charges, and to no other use or purpose whatever.

Sixth, This Constitution may be amended as follows: Any proposed amendment shall be submitted to a meeting of the Vestry, and upon its recommendation shall be submitted to a meeting of the Parish, and, if approved by the same, shall be submitted to the next Diocesan Convention, and upon its approval shall be deemed and taken to be a part of this Constitution.

BY-LAWS.

SECTION 1. The annual meeting shall be held on Monday in Easter Week, in the church, chapel, place of worship, or such place as the Wardens may appoint, at which meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, any business may be transacted without any previous notice thereof. Notice of this meeting shall be posted seven days prior thereto on the church door, and given from the chancel on the Sunday previous by the clergyman officiating. All meetings shall be opened with prayer.

SECT. 2. Special meetings shall be called by the Wardens, or, in case of vacancy, by three members of the Vestry, whenever they deem it advisable, or whenever so requested in writing either by the Rector or any five members of the Parish; but at special meetings no business shall be transacted unless specified in the notice calling the same. Such meetings shall be notified by the Clerk, by mailing or delivering to each member of the Parish a written or printed notice of the time, place, and purposes of the meeting, four days at least before the same is held.

SECT. 3. At all meetings of the Parish, the Rector, if present, or in his absence one of the Wardens, shall preside: in their absence, a temporary presiding officer shall be chosen by the members present.

SECT. 4. At a meeting of the Parish, five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but any less number may adjourn such meeting.

SECT. 5. At the annual meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, there shall be chosen two Wardens (who shall also act as Assessors), a Treasurer and Collector, a Clerk, and such number of Vestrymen, not exceeding as may be determined by the members present, all of whom shall constitute the Vestry: such election to be in all cases by ballot; and the person having the highest number of ballots shall be elected, the officers so elected to serve until the next annual meeting and until others are elected and qualified in their stead. Any vacancies may be filled by the Vestry. All such officers, except the Vestry, shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties, the fact of taking the oath being recorded by the Clerk. Delegates to the Diocesan Convention shall be chosen at the annual meeting by ballot, or as the members present may determine.

SECT. 6. The Wardens and Vestrymen shall have the management and oversight of all the temporal affairs of the Parish, and shall, in connection with the Rector, make necessary preparations for public worship and for the music at the same. They shall meet as often as once in every three months, and whenever requested by the Rector or either Warden. At each meeting the record of the previous meeting shall be read and approved or amended. The Rector shall be notified of the meetings of the Vestry, and, if present, shall preside, and be entitled, in common with each member of the Vestry, to one vote.

SECT. 7. The Clerk shall keep a true record of all the proceedings of the Parish, and also of doings of the Wardens and Vestry, in suitable books for that purpose; and shall also record all deeds or transfers of pews, for which latter duty he shall be entitled to the sum of fifty cents for each deed. At any Parish meeting any member may call for the reading of the records of the Vestry meeting for the preceding year.

SECT. 8. The Treasurer shall keep a true account of all moneys received and paid out by him, and present a full account thereof and of the financial condition of the Parish at each annual meeting; and such account shall be audited and approved by the Wardens and Vestrymen, or a committee thereof. He shall pay no sum exceeding ten dollars, except for regular fixed salaries, without the approval of at least one Warden or two Vestrymen, or the previous direction of the Parish or Vestry. He shall give bonds, whenever required by the Wardens or Vestry, for the faithful performance of his duties.

SECT. 9. All pews shall be liable to assessment for the support of the Rector and the maintenance of public worship, the repairs of the church, and all other necessary Parish charges, as the Parish may determine, according to the provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth.

SECT. 10. These By-Laws may be altered, amended, or repealed at any regular meeting of the Parish by a majority of the legal members present; *provided* notice thereof is set forth in the notice calling the meeting.

APPENDIX D.

I.

LIST OF CLERGYMEN

IN THE

DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

May, 1878.

The Rt. Rev. BENJAMIN HENRY PADDOCK, D.D., Bishop.

- The Rev. CHARLES COLLARD ADAMS, Rector of St. Luke's, Lanesborough.
 The Rev. ALEXANDER VIETS GRISWOLD ALLEN, D.D., Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, and Missionary in the Church of the Ascension Mission, Cambridge.
 The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Boston.
 The Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN ANDERSON, Rector of St. James's, Great Barrington.
 The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D.D., Rector of St. Peter's, Salem.
 The Rev. BENJAMIN WARREN ATWELL, officiating at the Church of the Atonement, Westfield.
 The Rev. CHARLES HENRY BARCOCK, Rector of St. Mark's, Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM ROBINSON BABCOCK, D.D., New Jersey.
 The Rev. SAMUEL REED BAILEY, Rector of Christ Church, Rochdale, and Missionary at Cherry Valley.
 The Rev. WILLIAM STOODLEY BARTLET, Registrar of the Diocese, Scituate Centre.
 The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT, officiating at All Saints', Dorchester, Boston.
 The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Somerville.
 The Rev. LEVI BOYER, Rector of St. Paul's, Nantucket.
 The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, Rector of Trinity Church, Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D., officiating at St. Andrew's, Hanover, and Assistant Secretary of the Convention.
 The Rev. ABBOTT BROWN, residing in New York.
 The Rev. BELNO ADDISON BROWN, Rector of St. Thomas's, Methuen.
 The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, Rector of St. James's, Boston Highlands.
 The Rev. FREDERICK BURGESS, Jun., Rector of Grace Church, Amherst.
 The Rev. THOMAS BURGESS, Rector of St. John's, North Adams.
 The Rev. JOHN THOMPSON BURRILL, officiating at St. Luke's, Chelsea.
 The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Boston, and Examining Chaplain.
 The Rev. FRANKLIN LEONARD BUSH, Missionary at St. Paul's, Hopkinton, and at Marlborough.
 The Rev. ELI HAWLEY CANFIELD, D.D., Arlington, Vt.
 The Rev. HIRAM CARLETON, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl, and Examining Chaplain.

- The Rev. THOMAS G. CARVER, D.D. Missionary at the Mission of St. Paul's, Brockton.
- The Rev. NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN, residing at Cambridge.
- The Rev. FRANCIS CHASE, Rector of St. John's, Framingham..
- The Rev. WILLIAM FRANKLIN CHENEY, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham.
- The Rev. JOSEPH HART CLINCH, S.T.D., Chaplain of the City Institutions, South Boston, and Secretary of the Convention.
- The Rev. THOMAS COLE, Rector of St. Margaret's, Brighton District, Boston.
- The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, Rector of St. John's, Boston Highlands.
- The Rev. BENJAMIN F. COOLEY, Rector of St. Anne's, Chelmsford, and House of Prayer, Lowell.
- The Rev. JAMES IVERS TRECOTHICK COOLIDGE, D.D., Head Master of St. Mark's School, and Rector of St. Mark's, Southborough,
- The Rev. HENRY EVAN COTTON, Deacon, in Europe.
- The Rev. ANDREW CROSWELL, residing at Cambridge.
- The Rev. LOUIS DECORMIS, Rector of St. Stephen's, Lynn.
- The Rev. GEORGE DENHAM, residing at East Boston.
- The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Andover.
- The Rev. EDWARD LIVINGSTONE DROWN, Rector of St. Paul's, Newburyport.
- The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DURELL, Rector of St. Thomas's, East Somerville.
- The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D.D., Rector of St. Anne's, Lowell.
- The Rev. JAMES SAMUEL ELLIS, Rector of St. John's, Wilkinsons ville, and Missionary at Millbury.
- The Rev. SAMUEL MOODY EMERY, D.D., Minister at St. James's, Amesbury.
- The Rev. THOMAS FREDERICK FALES, Rector of Christ Church, Waltham, and Examining Chaplain.
- The Rev. H. WARREN FAY, residing at Westborough.
- The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, Rector of Trinity Church, Lenox.
- The Rev. FREDERICK SHUBAEL FISHER, residing at Natick.
- The Rev. FREDERICK AUGUSTUS FISKE, Rector of Grace Church, North Attleborough, and in charge of Trinity Church, Wrentham.
- The Rev. WILLIAM T. FITCH, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Fall-River.
- The Rev. FRANCIS AUGUSTUS FOXCROFT, residing at Cambridge.
- The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, Rector of Grace Church, Salem.
- The Rev. FREDERICK FREEMAN, residing at Sandwich.
- The Rev. WALTER RUSSELL GARDNER, Oxford, Eng.
- The Rev. BENJAMIN ROWLEY GIFFORD, officiating at St. Mark's, Natick.
- The Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN, Rector of St. Paul's, Dedham.
- The Rev. EDWIN WALTER GOULD, Deacon, Assistant at St. John's, Boston Highlands.
- The Rev. CHARLES CHAPMAN GRAFTON, Rector of the Church of the Advent, Boston.
- The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, Missionary at St. Stephen's, Boston.
- The Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D.D., Dean of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
- The Rev. LEWIS GREEN, Rector of St. John's, Ashfield.
- The Rev. WILLIAM MANSFIELD GROTON, Rector of St. Anne's, Lincoln.
- The Rev. EDWARD MANNING GUSHEE, Rector of St. Peter's, Cambridge.
- The Rev. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Advent, Boston.
- The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, Rector of St. John's, East Boston.
- The Rev. WILLIAM ROBERT HARRIS, Rector of St. Michael's, Marblehead.
- The Rev. DAVID GREEN HASKINS, S.T.D., Rector of St. John's, Arlington.
- The Rev. OSGOOD EATON HERRICK, Chaplain in U.S. Army, Fortress Monroe, Va.
- The Rev. JOSEPH WARREN HILL, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Advent, Boston.
- The Rev. WILLIAM LLOYD HIMES, Rector of St. James's, South Groveland.
- The Rev. SAMUEL HOLLINGSWORTH, S.T.D., Rector of St. James's, Greenfield.
- The Rev. NICHOLAS HOPPIN, D.D., residing at Cambridge.
- The Rev. WILLIAM ROBERT HOOPER, Rector of St. John's, Gloucester.
- The Rev. ROGER STRONG HOWARD, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Reconciliation, Webster.

- The Rev. REGINALD HEBER HOWE, Rector of the Church of our Saviour, Longwood.
- The Rev. HENRY N. HUDSON, Professor in Boston University.
- The Rev. GEORGE PUTNAM HUNTINGTON, Rector of St. Paul's, Malden.
- The Rev. WILLIAM REED HUNTINGTON, D.D., Rector of All Saints', Worcester.
- The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS, Rector of Grace Church, Medford.
- The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, officiating at Trinity Church, Bridgewater.
- The Rev. ALBIN BARLOW JENNINGS, officiating at St. Mark's, South Adams, and at the Mission Chapel, Williamstown.
- The Rev. D'ESTAING JENNINGS, Rector of Grace Church, Flakdale.
- The Rev. JOHN A. JEROME, Rector of Trinity Church, Weymouth.
- The Rev. ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON, B.D., Assistant at St. Anne's, Lowell.
- The Rev. BRYAN B. KILLIKELLY, Missionary at the Chapel of the Evangelists, Boston.
- The Rev. THOMAS RICKER LAMBERT, D.D., Rector of St. John's, Charlestown District, Boston.
- The Rev. WILLIAM CHAUNCY LANGDON, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Cambridge.
- The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, Rector of St. Paul's, Stockbridge.
- The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, Rector of Grace Church, Lawrence.
- The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEAROYD, Rector of St. Thomas's, Taunton, and Treasurer of the Convention.
- The Rev. WILLIAM F. LHOYD, Missionary at Grace Church, Oxford.
- The Rev. HENRY MACKAY, Rector of St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls.
- The Rev. ALEXANDER MACKAY-SMITH, Missionary at Grace Church, Washington Village, Boston.
- The Rev. LEANDER CORNELIUS MANCHESTER, Rector of St. John's, Lowell.
- The Rev. WILLIAM MCGLATHERY, Rector of St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.
- The Rev. HENRY AIKEN METCALF, Rector of Trinity Church, Melrose.
- The Rev. NATHAN WATSON MUNROE, residing in Boston.
- The Rev. BENJAMIN F. NEWTON, residing at Ipswich.
- The Rev. WILLIAM WILBERFORCE NEWTON, Rector of St. Paul's, Boston.
- The Rev. GEORGE ENDICOTT OSGOOD, Deacon, Assistant at Christ Church, Waltham.
- The Rev. WILLIAM PUTNAM PAGE, residing at Longwood.
- The Rev. GEORGE STURGIS PAINE, residing at Worcester.
- The Rev. EDMUND BARNABAS PALMER, residing in Boston.
- The Rev. SAMUEL PARKER PARKER, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Sheffield.
- The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS, Deacon, officiating at Emmanuel Church, Boston.
- The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, Rector of St. John's, Northampton, and Missionary at St. Philip's, Easthampton.
- The Rev. JOSHUA KINDGE PEIRCE, Rector of St. Mary's, for Sailors, Boston.
- The Rev. DANIEL S. C. M. POTTER, Deacon, Louisville, Ky.
- The Rev. DEXTER POTTER, residing at Cambridge.
- The Rev. GEORGE JARVIS PRESCOTT, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston.
- The Rev. RICHARD F. PUTNAM, residing in New York.
- The Rev. CHARLES ARTHUR RAND, Rector of Trinity Church, Haverhill.
- The Rev. JAMES D. REID, residing at Webster.
- The Rev. ROBERT COOPER ROGERS, Secretary of Committee for Indian Missions, New York.
- The Rev. SILAS M. ROGERS, officiating at South Lee.
- The Rev. JOHN TAYLOR ROSE, Deacon, Assistant at St. Paul's, Boston.
- The Rev. EDMUND ROWLAND, Rector of Grace Church, New Bedford.
- The Rev. LINDALL WINTHROP SALTONSTALL, Deacon, Rector of St. Mary's, Dorchester District, Boston.
- The Rev. SUMNER UPHAM SHEARMAN, Rector of St. John's, Jamaica Plain, Boston.
- The Rev. GEORGE WOLFE SHINN, Rector of Grace Church, Newton.
- The Rev. AMOS SKEELE, Rector of St. Paul's, Holyoke.
- The Rev. SAMUEL RUGGLES SLACK, residing at Dorchester Lower Mills, Boston.
- The Rev. CARLOS SLATER, Deacon, Principal of a school, Dedham.
- The Rev. EDMUND FARWELL SLAFTER, residing in Boston.
- The Rev. EMELIUS W. SMITH, Rector of Christ Church, Fitchburg.
- The Rev. THADDEUS ALEXANDER SNIVELY, Rector of Christ Church, Quincy.

The Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR, Rector of St. John's, Taunton.
 The Rev. ORLANDO FRARY STARKEY, Mystic, Conn.
 The Rev. PETER H. STRENGTH, Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
 The Rev. JOHN SEELEY STONE, D.D., Emeritus Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
 The Rev. LEONARD KIP STORRS, Rector of St. Paul's, Brookline.
 The Rev. EDWARD HYDE TRUE, Flushing, L.I.
 The Rev. THEODOSIUS STEVENS TYNG, Rector of St. James's, Cambridge.
 The Rev. ROBERT BOYD VAN KLEECK, D.D., White Plains, N.Y.
 The Rev. TREADWELL WALDEN, Fishkill on the Hudson, N.Y.
 The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, Rector of Calvary Church, Danvers, and Missionary at St. Paul's, Peabody.
 The Rev. JULIUS HAMMOND WARD, residing in Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM WARLAND, residing at Cambridge.
 The Rev. JULIUS HENRY WATERBURY, Chaplain of the State Prison, Concord.
 The Rev. JOHN LEE WATSON, D.D., Chaplain U. S. Navy, Orange, N.J.
 The Rev. ELEAZAR MATHER PORTER WELLS, D.D., residing in Boston.
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 The Rev. PELHAM WILLIAMS, S.T.D., residing in Boston.
 The Rev. GEORGE ROGERS WHERLOCK, Rector of Trinity Church, Milford.
 The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE, Minister of St. John the Evangelist, Haverhill.
 The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, Chaplain of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston.
 The Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, Rector of Trinity Church, Woburn.
 The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, Rector of St. Matthew's, South Boston, and Chaplain of the Church Home for Orphans.

Bishop	1
Presbyters	140
Deacons	8
Total	149

II.

List of Parishes.

I.

IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

MAY 1, 1878.

Amesbury, St. James's.	Boston, Good Shepherd.
Amherst, Grace.	" (East), St. John's.
Andover, Christ.	" (Highlands), St. James's.
Ashfield, St. John's.	" (Highlands), St. John's.
Beverly, St. Peter's.	" (Charlestown), St. John's.
Boston, Christ.	" (Dorchester), St. Mary's.
" Trinity.	" (Mattapan), Grace.
" St. Paul's.	" (Lower Mills), All Saints'.
" Church of the Messiah.	" (Jamaica Plain), St. John's.
" Church of the Advent.	" (Brighton), St. Margaret's.
" Emmanuel.	Bridgewater, Trinity.
" St. Mary for Sailors.	Brookline, St. Paul's.
" (South), St. Matthew's.	Cambridge, Christ.

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 St. James's.
 3, St. Luke's.
 's, Calvary.
 n, St. Paul's.
 Good Shepherd.
 mpton, St. Philip's.
 ver, Ascension.
 le, Grace.
 arg, Christ.
 igham, St. John's.
 ster, St. John's.
 3arrington, St. James's.
 ield, St. James's.
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 ill, Trinity.
 e, St. Paul's. •
 ton, St. Paul's.
 ark, Christ.
 2, Ascension.
 ough, St. Luke's.
 ice, Grace.
 St. John's.
 George's.
 Trinity.
 1, St. Anne's.
 ood, Church of Our Saviour.
 , St. Anne's.
 St. John's.
 St. Stephen's.
 1, St. Paul's.
 head, St. Michael's.
 d, Grace.
 2, Trinity.
 l, Trinity.
 e, St. John's.
 ket, St. Paul's.
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 edford, Grace.
 rypport, St. Paul's.

Newton (Lower Falls), St. Mary's.
 " Grace.
 " (West), Church of the Mes-
 siah.
 North Attleborough, Grace.
 North Adams, St. John's.
 Northampton, St. John's.
 Oxford, Grace.
 Pittsfield, St. Stephens.
 Plymouth, Christ.
 Quincy, Christ.
 Rochdale, Christ.
 Salem, St. Peter's.
 " Grace.
 Sheffield, Christ.
 Somerville, Emmanuel.
 " St. Thomas's.
 South Adams, St. Mark's.
 South Groveland, St. James's.
 Southborough, St. Mark's.
 Springfield, Christ.
 Stockbridge, St. Paul's.
 Swansea, Christ.
 Taunton, St. Thomas's.
 " St. John's.
 Vandeusenville, Trinity.
 Wakefield, Emmanuel.
 Waltham, Christ.
 Webster, Church of the Reconcilia-
 tion.
 Westfield, Church of the Atone-
 ment.
 Weymouth, Trinity.
 Wilkinsonville, St. John's.
 Woburn, Trinity.
 Wood's Holl, Church of the Mes-
 siah.
 Worcester, All Saints.
 Wrentham, Trinity.

II.

PARISHES NOT IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

on, St. John's.
 , St. Mark's.
 ford, Emmanuel.
 ee, Grace.

Otis, St. Paul's.
 Ware, Trinity.
 Worcester, St. Matthew's.

III.

CHAPELS AND MISSIONS.

(Dorchester), St. Mary's.
 Evangelists'.
 St. Stephen's.
 (South), Grace.
 (South), Chapel of the Ch.
 Home.

Brockton, Good Shepherd.
 Cambridge, St. John's Memorial
 (Epls. Theological School).
 Cambridge (East), Ascension.
 " (North), St. James's
 Chapel.

Cherry Valley.
 Clinton, Good Shepherd.
 Haverhill, St. John the Evangelist.
 Marion.
 Marlborough.
 Millbury.

Peabody.
 South Lee.
 Springfield.
 West Springfield, Good Shepherd.
 Williamstown, St. John's.

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Diocese of Massachusetts.

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 " PHILLIPS BROOKS.
 " THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.
 Messrs. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
 ENOCH R. MUDGE.
 ROBERT C. WINTHROP.
 EDMUND H. BENNETT.

Substitutes.

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 " GEORGE S. CONVERSE.
 " SAMUEL P. PARKER, D.D.
 " FRANCIS WHARTON, D.D.,
 LL.D.
 Messrs. JOSEPH S. FAY.
 ROBERT M. MASON.
 ALEXANDER H. RICE.
 JOHN B. STEBBINS.

Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D.D.
 " THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.
 " CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.
 " NICHOLAS HOPPIN, D.D.
 " SAMUEL HOLLINGSWORTH, S.T.D.
 GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
 JOHN B. STEBBINS.

*Diocesan Board of Missions.**President.*

The BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE, *ex-officio*.

Secretary.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD, Taunton.

Treasurer.

JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, 13 Exchange Street, Boston.

*Elected by Convention.**To serve one year.**Clerical.*

The Rev. T. F. FALES.
 " W. R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.

Lay.

R. T. PAINE, Jun.
 G. C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

To serve two years.

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.
 " E. M. GUSHEE.

J. S. BLATCHFORD.
 D. B. HAGAR.

To serve three years.

The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D.
 " CHARLES H. LEAROYD.

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On motion of the same, —

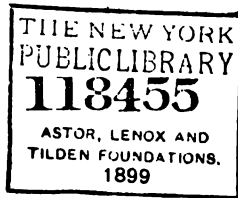
Resolved, That the foregoing resolution, together with the Section of the Canon referred to, be printed upon the cover of the Journal.

Title II., Canon 12, Section 1.

A communicant removing from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removed shall not be required to receive him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced.

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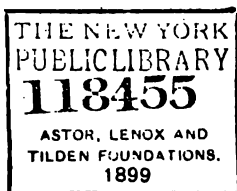
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- George H. Poor.*

ASHFIELD, ST. JOHN'S.

BEVERLY, ST. PETER'S.

- Austin D. Kilham.*
- Thomas W. McKean.*
- John D. Lovett.*

BOSTON, CHRIST.

- John Fox.*
- Daniel Byron.*
- Thomas Mair.*

BOSTON, ADVENT.

- Edward N. Perkins.*
- John P. Tarbell.*
- Fitch E. Oliver, M. D.*

BOSTON (DORCH.), ALL SAINTS'.

- Joseph M. Churchill.*
- Henry M. Snell.*
- Louis M. Miller.*

BOSTON, EMMANUEL.

- E. R. Mudge.*
- P. W. Penhallow.*
- E. P. Denny.*

BOSTON, GOOD SHEPHERD.

- J. D. W. French.*
- George Coles.*
- Grant Walker.*

BOSTON, MESSIAH.

- Causten Browne.*
- Roderick Richardson.*
- Samuel Rice.*

BOSTON (HIGHLANDS), ST. JAMES'S

- William Raymond Lee.*
- Atherton T. Brown.*
- Danforth C. Hodges.*

BOSTON (HIGHLANDS) ST. JOHN'S

- Richard Garvey.*
- David Connery.*
- Henry B. Mackintosh.*

BOSTON (CHA'S'N) ST. JOHN'S.

George N. Fisher.
James H. Jones.
William H. Howard.

BOSTON (J PLAIN), ST. JOHN'S.

Frank W. Reynolds.
Thomas P. Proctor.
John W. McKim.

BOSTON (EAST) ST. JOHN'S.

George H. Plummer.
William A. Parker, U. S. N.

BOSTON (BRIG'N) ST. MARGARET'S

T. T. S. Laidley.
John Pitman.
John H. Sturgis.

BOSTON (DOR), ST. MARY'S.

John P. Clapp.
Martin L. Bradford.
C. Ellery Stedman.

BOSTON ST MARY'S FOR SAILORS.

Richard L. Thomas.
John Lamb.
Henry H. Cotton.

BOSTON (SOUTH), ST. MATTHEW'S

Henry W. Nelson.
Charles French.
Thomas Hill.

BOSTON, ST. PAUL'S.

Charles R. Train.
Clement H. Hill.
J. Baxter Upham.

BOSTON, TRINITY.

Stephen G. Deblois.
Thomas C. Amory.
Benjamin F. Nourse.

BRIDGEWATER, TRINITY.**BROOKLINE, ST. PAUL'S.**

James S. Amory.
Mortimer C. Ferris.
Henry S. Chase.

CAMBRIDGE, CHRIST.

William A. Morrison.
Lucius L. Hubbard.
Henry H. Elliott.

CAMBRIDGE, ST. JAMES'S.

Charles R. Woods.
Luke H. Whitney.
Albert S. Pillsbury.

CAMBRIDGE, ST. PETER'S.

Theodore C. Hurd.
Edward R. Cogswell, M. D.
William W. Dallinger.

CHELSEA, ST. LUKE'S.

Jesse Briggs.
James Bell.
Robert S. Meekin.

CHICOPEE, GRACE.**DANVERS, CALVARY.**

William Foulc.
Samuel Moores.
Benjamin R. Tibbetts.

DEDHAM, ST. PAUL'S.

Ira Cleveland.
Thomas L. Wakefield.
Erastus Worthington.

DEDHAM, GOOD SHEPHERD.

William B. Welch
Ephraim L. Frothingham, Jr.
Joshua Graham.

EASTHAMPTON ST. PHILIP'S.

Henry E. Alcord.
Joseph Bassett.

FAIR RIVER, ASCENSION.

Borden Chace.
David W. Vandenberg.
Walter C. Durfee.

FISKE DALE, GRACE.

George H. Sparhawk.
Charles F. Grosvenor.

FITCHBURG, CHRIST.

W. T. Grinnell.
Dennis Fay.
F. A. Currier.

FRAMINGHAM, ST. JOHN'S.

Alexander R. Eady.
Arthur C. Blanchard.
Josiah F. Richardson.

GLOUCESTER, ST. JOHN'S.

George Grier.
Frederick T. Hall.
Gustavus Tuckerman.

GREAT BARRINGTON, ST. JAMES

John M. Mackie.
Charles Benton.
William H. Parker.

GREENFIELD, ST. JAMES'S.

S. P. Breck.
Chester C. Conant.
Charles R. Field.

HANOVER, ST. ANDREW'S.

Lemuel C. Waterman.
Horatio Bigelow.
Lloyd Briggs.

HAVERHILL, TRINITY.

Edward F. Adams.
Thomas Sanders.
James Frankle.

HOLYOKE, ST. PAUL'S.

William Grover.
Leopoldus Parsons.
Elias P. Ford.

HOPKINTON, ST. PAUL'S.

Wilard Wadsworth.
William Kennedy.
Daniel W. McLeod.

HYDE PARK, CHRIST.

Bartlett H. Hardy.
Eben B. Page.
Henry Hyde Smith.

IPSWICH, ASCENSION.

George L. Tilton.
John Birch.
Joseph W. Wood.

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Horace T. Hildreth.

Frank E. Cummings.

George J. Townsend.

NEW BEDFORD, GRACE.

Edward A. Dana.

Benjamin T. Cummings.

Horatio Hathaway.

NEWBURYPORT ST. PAUL'S.

Nataniel Foster.

David Wood.

Alfred W. Lord.

NEWTON (L. FALLS), ST. MARY'S.

D. W. Cunningham.

Samuel H. Warren.

Charles A. Moulton.

NEWTON, GRACE.

Edwin F. Waters.

Adin B. Underwood.

William S. Gardner.

NEWTON (WEST), MESSIAH.

Charles Edward Parker.

Walter C. Ware.

NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH, GRACE.

Otis Stanley.

Eugene K. Dunbar.

Edcard O. Stanley.

NORTH ADAMS, ST. JOHN'S.

C. H. Read.

William Arthur Gallup.

W. H. Gaylord.

NORTHAMPTON, ST. JOHN'S.

Lewis Warner.

William Arnock.

Egbert I. Clapp.

OXFORD, GRACE.

PITTSFIELD, ST. STEPHEN'S.

W. E. Vermilye, M. D.

F. E. Kernochan.

Walter Cutting.

PLYMOUTH, CHRIST.

QUINCY, CHRIST.

ROCHDALE, CHRIST.

Elbridge G. Carlton.

John Taylor.

George Kenney.

SALEM, ST. PETER'S.

Charles H. Bates.

George R. Curwen.

Robert Brookhouse.

SALE GRACE.

Benjamin Shreve.

Daniel B. Hagar.

Leicester S. Tuckerman.

SHEFFIELD, CHRIST.

John G. Barnard.

George H. Lemist.

SOMERVILLE, EMMANUEL.

Robert H. Gibby.

Alexander R. Benton.

Philip Highley.

SOMERVILLE (E.), ST. THOMAS'S.

Douglas Frazar.
George E. Bennett.
George Vincent.

SOUTH ADAMS, ST. MARK'S.

Horace M. Holmes.
George W. Adams.
Levi L. Brown.

SOUTH GROVELAND, ST. JAMES'S.

B. Robert Doines.
William H. Parker.

SOUTHBOROUGH, ST. MARK'S.

Joseph Burnett.
Leander W. Newton.
H. H. Newton.

SPRINGFIELD, CHRIST.

John B. Stebbins.
George W. Winchester.
Daniel P. Crocker.

STOCKBRIDGE, ST. PAUL'S.

Daniel B. Fenn, Jr.
Mason Van Deusen.
Sanford W. Comstock.

SWANSEA, CHRIST.

William Henry Pearse.
Frank S. Stevens.

TAUNTON, ST. THOMAS'S.

Edmund H. Bennett.
George F. Howard.
Charles A. Reed.

TAUNTON, ST. JOHN'S.

Samuel L. Crocker.
William Parkin.
Henry Nichols.

VAN DEUSENVILLE, TRINITY.

John H. Cuffing.

WAKEFIELD, EMMANUEL.

WALTHAM, CHRIST.
M. U. Adams.
Moses E. Osgood.
Edward C. Caldwell.

WEBSTER, RECONCILIATION.

James H. Howe.
William S. Slater.
Amos Bartlett.

WESTFIELD, ATONEMENT.

E. W. Dickerman.
D. W. Griffin.
L. Jepson.

WEYMOUTH, TRINITY.

Edward Avery.
William S. Wallace.
Samuel W. Read.

WILKINSONVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.

Jephthah P. Newton.
Nehemiah B. Chase.
Wellington M. Houghton.

WOBURN, TRINITY.

James Folsom.
Thomas T. Long.
James-Graham.

WOODS' HOLL, MESSIAH.

Joseph Story Fay.
Charles E. Hatch.
Eliel T. Fish.

WORCESTER, ALL SAINTS'.

Edward L. Davis.
Francis H. Dewey.
Sumner Pratt.

WRENTHAM, TRINITY.

David T. Stone.
C. S. Doggett.
James E. Pollard.

The BISHOP then announced the following as the Committee of Qualifications:—

The Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON, the Rev. LOUIS DE CORMIS, the Rev. WILLIAM WINSLOW.

The lists of clergymen and the certificates of lay delegates were handed to this Committee.

Morning Prayer, to the *Venite*, was read by the Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT; the Psalter, by the Rev. THOMAS COLE; the First Lesson, by the Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD; the Second Lesson, by the Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN; the Creed and Collects, by the Rev. JAMES A. SANDERSON; the Litany, by the Rev. PETER H. STEENSTRA; the 176th Hymn was then sung. The Ante-Communion Service, to the Epistle, was read by the Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D.; the Epistle, by the Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS; the Gospel, by the

BISHOP; the 36th Hymn was then sung. The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., from the words, '*As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you,*' St. John's Gospel, ix: 21. The Offertory was read by the Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS; he Alms, in aid of the Episcopal Clerical Fund, being collected by the Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, the Rev. THOMAS W. NICKERSON, and the Rev. ARTHUR H. BARRINGTON; the Prayer for the Church Militant was read by the Rev. HIRAM CARLETON, D.D.; the Exhortation and Confession, by the Rev. JAMES I. T. COOLIDGE, D.D.; and the Absolution, by the BISHOP, who also read the Comfortable Words, and then proceeded to the Prayer of Consecration. The 203d Hymn was then sung. The Holy Communion was then administered to the clergy, and to a goodly number of the laity, by the BISHOP, assisted in the distribution of the elements by the Rev. HIRAM CARLETON, D.D., the Rev. JAMES I. T. COOLIDGE, D.D., and the Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN. The Post-Communion was also read by the BISHOP.

At the conclusion of the religious services, the BISHOP called the Convention to order.

The Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Qualifications, made the following Report:—

The Committee on Qualifications would respectfully report that they have completed their examination of the list of the clerical delegates to the Convention, and, so far as they can ascertain, find it correct.

They also report that the lay certificates thus far received are found correct, with the exception of those from Emmanuel Church and St. Paul's Church, Boston, which are irregular in form, falling to state the time and place of the meetings at which the elections of delegates were made. A certificate was presented from the Church of our Redeemer, Holliston, but as the Parish does not appear on the list of those Parishes which are in union with the Convention, said certificate was not accepted by the Committee.

ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON,	} Committee.
LOUIS DE CORMIS,	
WILLIAM C. WINSLOW,	

Resolved, That the above Report be accepted.

The SECRETARY then called the roll of lay delegates received from the Committee, and a quorum being present, the BISHOP pronounced the Convention open for business.

Resolved, That, in the election of a Secretary, balloting be dispensed with.

The Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S. T. D., having been nominated, was re-elected.

The SECRETARY announced that, with the consent of the House, he had appointed the Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D., ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

The nomination was, on motion, confirmed.

The Rules of Order were then read by the ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

The BISHOP then announced the following Standing Committees:—

<i>On the Admission of New Parishes</i>	{ The Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN. " WILLIAM LAWRENCE. " J. STURGIS PEARCE. EDWARD N. PERKINS. F. E. FISKE.
<i>On the Constitution and Canons</i>	{ The Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D. " CHARLES L. HUTCHINS. " MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D. WILLIAM S. GARDNER. DANIEL B. HAGAR.
<i>Executive Committee</i>	{ The Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON. " DANIEL G. ANDERSON. JAMES H. HOWE.
<i>On Unfinished Business</i>	{ The Rev. HENRY A. METCALF. JOSEPH W. WOOD. THOMAS MAIR.
<i>On Finance</i>	{ The Rev. WILLIAM R. HARRIS. WILLIAM WHITMAN. LEMUEL C. WATERMAN.

Resolved, That this Convention now take a recess till three o'clock, P.M.

3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Convention met, pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Qualifications, presented an additional Report:—

The certificate from St. Paul's Church, Boston, having been amended, the Committee would recommend its acceptance.

For the Committee,

A. E. JOHNSON, *Chairman*

The Report was accepted, and the names of lay delegates from St. Paul's Church, Boston, were called by the SECRETARY.

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE presented a petition from St. John's Church, Boston Highlands, asking permission to make change in their Constitution.

Said petition was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN, from the Committee on New Parishes, made the following Report:—

the Committee on Admission of New Parishes respectfully report that they have examined the application of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton, and that the application is defective, for the following reasons:—

That there is no evidence that a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Parish has been submitted to the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese.

That there is no evidence, subscribed by the Warden and Vestry, that the Parish has been duly organized as such for the space of one year.

They, therefore, recommend that the application of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton, to be admitted into union with the Convention, be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY F. ALLEN.

The Report was accepted, and the admission of the Church of the Good Shepherd was refused.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D., Secretary of the Standing Committee, presented the following Annual Report of that body.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee respectfully present their Annual Report.

The Committee was organized on the third day of June, 1878, by the election of the Rev. Thomas R. Lambert, D.D., as President, and of the Rev. Henry Burroughs, D.D., as Secretary.

Twelve meetings have been held during the year.

The Committee have given their consent to the election of the Right Rev. John Henry Ducachet Wingfield, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Northern California, as Bishop of the Diocese of Louisiana.

They have signed the Testimonials required by the Canons, recommending to the Bishop the following persons to be admitted as candidates for Holy Orders: Frederic Palmer, Edward Abbott, and Frederick Baylies Allen, late Congregational ministers; Robert M. Neill, Samuel Hodgkiss, Frederic Ward Dennis, John Nelson Jones, James E. Wilkinson, and Henry Sylvester Nash.

They have signed the Canonical Testimonials, recommending to the Bishop for Deacon's Orders: Reuben Kidner, Arthur Henry Barrington, Charles James Palmer, Frederic Palmer, Edward Abbott, Thomas White Nickerson, Jeremiah Jewett Cressey, and Henry J. Sheridan; and, for Priest's Orders, the Revs. George Endicott Osgood, John Taylor Rose, Edwin Walter Gould, Lindull Winthrop Saltonstall, Leighton Parks, Henry Evan Cotton, Leverett Bradley, Jr., Albert E. George, and Reuben Kidner.

It was voted by three-fourths of all the members of the Committee to advise and consent to the ordination of the Rev. George E. Osgood, the Rev. John T. Rose, and the Rev. Edward W. Gould as Priests, within one year of their reception of Deacon's Orders. The consent of three-fourths of all the members of the Committee was given to the ordination of Reuben Kidner, Arthur H. Barrington, and Charles J. Palmer as Deacons, before three years from their admission as candidates for Holy Orders; and to the ordination to the Diaconate of Frederic Palmer, Edward Abbott and Thomas White Nickerson, within one year from their admission as candidates for Deacon's Orders.

Notices have been published in the Church Almanacs that the Committee meets on the first Tuesday of every month, except August, with the request that candidates

will send their papers to the Secretary, two months before the time appointed for their ordination; and the rule has been adopted that applications for recommendation to be received as candidates for Orders, or for Deacon's or Priest's Orders, shall lie over for one month from the date of the regular meeting when they are received, and that notice of all applications shall be published in one of the Church papers.

The bills of the "Churchman," for advertising notices, amounting to three dollars, and of the Secretary, for five dollars, paid for copying and postage and stationery, have been approved.

The Committee have advised and consented to the removal of the Church Edifice of All Saints' Parish, Dorchester, to Ashmont, provided that the church building and the lot of ground on which it stands, be free from incumbrance of debt.

Differences existing between the Rector and the Parish of St. Luke's Church, Lanesborough, were referred by both parties under Canon 4 of Title II., to the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee. After full and careful consideration of the facts and documents submitted, the Bishop and the Standing Committee gave their ultimate arbitration and judgment as follows:—

The dissolution of the Pastoral Relation between the Rev. C. Collard Adams and the Parish of St. Luke's Church, Lanesborough, should take place April 15th, 1879, as unanimously requested by the Vestry in their action of December 7th, 1878, subject, however, to the following conditions, namely:—

1. The salary, as agreed heretofore, to be paid in full to that date, prior to the dissolution taking effect.
2. The Rev. C. C. Adams to be allowed, through the Christian kindness and goodwill of the Parish, to occupy the Rectory, free of all charges, until the first day of August following, and to have the use and proceeds of the Glebe, should he desire, until October 1st, 1879.

The following resolutions have been adopted upon the death of Mr. Robert Means Mason, a member of this Committee:—

Whereas, Almighty God, in his wise Providence, has called to his rest in Paradise, Mr. Robert Means Mason, for many years a member of the Standing Committee of this Diocese. Therefore,

Resolved, That we, his associates, recognize, in the sudden departure of our friend and brother, a call and an incitement to faithfulness in our vocation, and watchfulness in our several posts of duty, knowing that most suddenly the night of death cometh when no man can work.

Resolved, That we cherish a pleasant remembrance of the genial intercourse we have had with him, personally and officially, and thankfully call to mind the example of his long and faithful labors in our body, his practical ability, the interest he took in the advancement of the Church in our Diocese, and his readiness to co-operate in every good word and work in the cause of his Divine Master, the truthfulness and frankness of his character as a man, his earnestness and devotion as a Christian and as a Churchman.

Resolved, That we deeply and sincerely sympathize with the family of the deceased in the great loss they have sustained, and hereby assure them of our heartfelt condolence in their affliction.

Respectfully submitted for the Standing Committee,

HENRY BURROUGHS, Secretary

MAY 14, 1879.

The Rev. A. E. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Qualifications, made the following additional Report :—

The omission in the Certificate from Emmanuel Church, Boston, having been supplied, your Committee would recommend its acceptance.

For the Committee,

A. E. JOHNSON, *Chairman*.

Which, on motion, was accepted, and the Delegates from Emmanuel Church, Boston, admitted to seats.

On motion of the Rev. Wm. H. Brooks, D. D.,—

Resolved, That Clergymen belonging to other Dioceses, Candidates for Holy Orders in his Diocese, former Members of this Convention, all persons holding any office or trust under the Convention, if not members thereof, being present at its sittings, and the Church Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Paul's Church, Boston, be invited to honorary seats in this body.

The following Clergymen appeared, and took seats in the Convention :—

The Rev. GEORGE D. WILDES, D. D., New York; the Rev. WILLIAM H. MUNROE, Pennsylvania; the Rev. GEORGE W. PORTER, D. D., New York; the Rev. NOAH HENNING, Canada.

The BISHOP then delivered his Annual address.

Bishop Paddock's Address.

BELOVED BRETHREN IN CHRIST AND THE CHURCH:

Again does the good Lord permit us whose privilege it is that "we are laborers together with God," to meet in our Annual Council. Whatever of labor and outlay it may cost to bring us together in such goodly numbers; however wearisome may prove our necessarily close attention, during our usual two days' session, to the details of Church work and legislation, and to study of our present condition and consequent duties; full remuneration is found by every large-hearted Churchman in the brotherly grasp of the hand with our fellow-workmen beloved in Christ, in mutual prayers and counsels, in striving together for the preservation of the Faith and Worship in their purity and efficiency, in joint efforts for the propagation of the Gospel and the Church throughout our Commonwealth. No one can doubt that should the day ever come when general indifference and non-attendance should make a frequent assembling of the clerical and lay representations of a Diocese impracticable, this Church would have been already smitten of such a palsy that only the pitying voice of the Divine Son of Man could bid it back again to life and labor.

We meet to-day, dear fellow-workers, with our roll sadly marred by the death of some admirable men among our ordained brethren, and by the loss of not a few beloved brothers and sisters in the "chosen priesthood" of the laity. On previous occasions I have allowed myself to allude to our common sense of loss in the departure of some of our lay brethren and sisters; but it is a dangerous indulgence. I can only speak of those among the departed of whose lives and deaths I have been cognizant: while perhaps lives of equal preciousness and deaths of equal power of bereavement, as yet unknown to me, are made to seem unworthy of notice in this Council. But although it will be more just if generally in

the future I venture to speak only of our standard-bearers who have fallen, — of those “called to an office and administration” in the Church of God, — I may perhaps include two of our noble laymen, recently deceased, as among this list, and concerning whom I cannot be silent.

Mr. Robert M. Mason passed from us by a sudden call, while far away from home. He was an experienced member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, as also of our Delegation to the General Convention. A man of unquestioned piety, of exemplary life, of calm and just judgment, of deep interest in many good causes, a willing helper of such Church work and methods as gained his approval, a private distributor of bounties and assistance to an unsuspected degree; he was a man whom all respected and many loved, and one whom the Church will greatly miss.

Mr. Thomas J. Lee, just now dropped from our ranks, was a layman of earnest piety, of admirable skill in affairs, of great zeal in Church work, and of ever-growing devotion to its interests. Confirmed by myself only four and one-half years ago, he had become one of our very best men in not a few of our Church undertakings; and we shall greatly miss him. Why do so few of our laity throw themselves into the work which Christ, who has bought them with the great price, sets before them *in and through the Church* of which they are members? Plenty of zeal for worldly benevolence, not a little for sorts of religious work which the Church either knows nothing of, or refuses to sanction: too little for *that very work* which the Church sanctions, undertakes, and earnestly seeks from her own children. Consistency is still a jewel, even among somewhat boastful Churchmanship.

The Rev. William Putnam Page died at Longwood during my absence on official duty, Oct. 23, 1878. This venerable man of God was in the ninetieth year of his age when the Master called him. Ordained by Bishop Griswold, Nov. 18, 1832, he wrought well for Christ and His Church in various fields of labor, and at last became Rector of St. Peter's, Cambridge; where, after eleven years of patient continuance in well-doing, he felt at liberty, at seventy-five years of age, to lay down the cares of the shepherd and await the coming of his Lord. A good man and gentle, of well-balanced mind and culture, and of conscientious faithfulness, he has left us the heritage of his good name and helpful example.

The Rev. Eleazer Mather Porter Wells, Doctor in Divinity, a true but uncanonized Saint of God, quietly "fell on sleep," after more than fifty-two years of unwearied service at the Church's altars, and throughout God's highways and hedges whence he lovingly compelled so many of the poor to come in to the Gospel banquet. Ordained Deacon, June 7, 1826, by Bishop Brownell — after some years of honorable service in the Congregationalist Ministry — his devout soul soon found its vocation, and his consecration to the poor, the sinful, and the sorrowing, soon became complete. It absorbed every holy energy of the man; it satisfied his every ambition; it controlled all his studies and stimulated all his inventive powers; it mastered all opposing desires, tastes, and habits; it intensified all his graces, until the sanctified priest, like St. Paul, came to say daily, "Yea, and if I be offered upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I joy, and rejoice with you all." It is a small thing to say that the Episcopal City Mission owes all it is to him and to a few laymen who learned of him. Boston owes to him a rare type of a citizen and a philanthropist whose presence was sweetness and health in her murkiest lanes and alleys; every benevolent agency had him for both text and sermon on going about and doing good; every Church of every name gladly saw in him the apostolic succession that is found in such apostolic lineage with, and copying of Christ, the Head of all Ministry.

This noble spirit, like all God's choicest, was as humble as a little child, and as strong and brave as a lion. And out of that rare combination you had pity, tenderness, sympathy for every poor sinner; courage, defiance, attack for every shameless sin. You had sweetly cheerful contentedness in the midst of seemingly insufficient personal success, and unswerving convictions as to the nobleness and final triumph of the cause which so outmeasured the man. You had splendid loyalty to the Church, its doctrines, its Prayer Book, and its authorities; and no faintest imagination that he, "the least of the apostles, not meet to be called an apostle," was commissioned of God to reform its doctrines or worship from either Puritan or mediæval sources. Oh, what a noble figure of humble greatness! How statue-like he stands out among us, Brethren. God grant us all grace to follow him in all virtuous and godly living—even as he followed Christ!

In the modest rectory, that, with the Church at its side, crowns

the little knoll of an ample lot in a pretty village of Bristol County, one of our best rural Pastors lay down to die soon after he had given God thanks for the good example of dear Dr. Wells. This man, coming to his Parish two years before, had found the wise and far-sighted work and outlays of his valued predecessor burdened with such honest, but partially unexpected indebtedness as changed times have brought upon many of the Parishes all over the land. The time came, last autumn, when about \$2,000 of this indebtedness *must be raised*, to avert disaster. He did not create the obligation; but it was Christ's cross that lay right athwart his path, to remove it. First letting it cost *himself* more, perhaps, than he would expect of any one else, he then roused the hearts of all, even to the children, of his flock, and they all responded nobly. Then strengthened, as he supposed, in his gentleness and modesty, by a statement and commendation from his Bishop, he went from door to door in Boston, to let others bear the burden with him, and so fulfil the law of Christ. From a few he received refusals which pained him, from a few good advice against Parishes getting into debt, from others modest offerings towards his longed for getting out of debt and saving a valuable property. Twice he broke in his weary rounds; but at last he succeeded and went home with the church's property saved, and his life given for it. After a few weeks of exhaustion and suffering, the Rev. Frederick Augustus Fiske, Rector of Grace Church, North Attleborough, died, Dec. 15, 1878, and was buried by myself and other brethren amidst a town full of mourners. He was a man of manly and strong piety, clear and happy in his convictions, and of willing and unwearying labor.

The Church at large has sustained a great loss during the last year, by the death of good Bishop Wilmer, of Louisiana. He was a man of simple and ardent piety, of excellent learning, and of perfect consecration. Few of his order were more revered in the House of Bishops, where he was thoroughly known; few more loved in their own Dioceses. No devotion on the part of our Ministers to the sick and dying, in the late yellow-fever scourge, was more beautiful than his, after his hastened return from the Lambeth Conference, although some have found richer meeds of human praise. The record of them all is on high.

Again I have to record, with gratitude to God, that only very slight interruptions from ill-health have occurred during my round

of official duties, since we last met in Convention. Since that date I have made 138 Official Visitations, besides Ordinations, Convocations, and Special Services. On 118 different occasions, I have confirmed in or for the Churches named below, 1,087 persons.

Newton,	17	Malden,	17
Newton Lower Falls,	1	East Boston,	16
St. Luke's Home, Boston (3		Peabody,	3
visitations),	13	Beverly,	4
Lawrence, St. John's,	29	Lynn,	8
" Grace,	32	Danvers,	4
Bridgewater,	2	Brockton,	1
Amherst,	18	New Bedford, St. James's, .	15
Easthampton,	5	Millville,	4
Greenfield,	5	Dedham, St. Paul's (2 visita-	
Boston, Evangelists' (2 visita-		tions),	13
tions),	24	Dedham, Good Shepherd, . .	3
Fiskdale,	9	Boston, St. Matthew's Mission,	4
Holyoke,	19	Chelsea,	6
Westfield,	5	Cambridge, Ascension, . . .	4
North Attleborough,	3	Boston, St. Mary's, for sailors,	5
Wood's Holl,	1	Boston, Advent (2 visitations),	89
Gloucester,	1	Dorchester, St. Mary's, . .	10
Ipswich,	4	" All Saints',	2
Lincoln,	2	Boston, St. Stephen's, . . .	16
North Adams,	5	Arlington,	4
Sheffield,	2	Framingham,	3
Great Barrington,	7	Brookline,	5
Van Deusenville,	2	Boston, St. Matthew's, . . .	26
South Adams,	4	Cambridge, St. James's, . .	10
Lanesborough,	1	" St. John's Memo-	
Pittsfield,	12	rial,	5
Otis,	1	Lowell, St. John's,	5
Stockbridge,	4	" St. Anne's,	17
Lee,	5	" House of Prayer, . .	1
Melrose,	6	Jamaica Plain,	9
Boston, Good Shepherd (3 visit-		Webster,	7
ations),	17	Worcester, St. Matthew's, .	6
Weymouth,	2	" All Saints',	23
Fall River,	10	Boston, Emmanuel,	8
Milford,	4	Hyde Park,	5
Natick,	5	East Somerville, St. Thomas's,	17
Clinton,	8	Quincy,	17

ille, Emmanuel, 7	Boston, Grace, 13
l, 18	Cambridge, Christ, 10
St. Mark's, 12	Marblehead, 5
St. Paul's, 23	Salem, Grace, 5
Messiah, 18	" St. Peter's, 15
d, 4	Fitchburg, 15
m, 11	Southborough, 14
Highlands, St. John's, . . 6	Methuen, 35
dge, St. Peter's, 14	Newburyport, 13
n, St. Thomas's, 9	Chelmsford, 1
St. John's, 9	Andover, 3
town, 27	South Groveland, 5
Trinity, 66	Haverhill, St. John Evangelist, 10
Highlands, St. James's, 20	" Trinity, 5
od, 4	Amesbury, 6
Christ, 10	Plymouth, 4

ore complete statement of official acts reads as follows :—

is,	1
nations (number of administrations),	118
nations (number confirmed),	1,087
tions of the Holy Communion,	22
s preached,	145
ses delivered,	116
sings,	15
ublic services,	36
gical examinations, trustee and committee meetings, &c., .	80
,	5
ders licensed (from Advent to Advent),	50
nts (admitted, 1), present number,	7
tes for Priest's orders (admitted, 5), present number, . . .	21
tes for Deacon's orders (admitted, 4), present number, . .	2
ions (Deacons, 6; Priests, 6),	12
nen deceased,	3
nen received,	12
nen transferred,	11
nen, present number (Bishop, 1; Priests, 139; Deacons, 11),	151
consecrated,	1
es or chapels newly opened,	5
elect, consent given,	1

rapid glance at the Conventional year now closing presents, al, a checkered record. Among the encouraging things —

none, perhaps, individually great, but each one helping to make a cheering *aggregate* — I note the reconstruction of the chapel of old Christ Church, Boston, much of the money having been raised among themselves; the completion, without debt, of St. Anne's Chapel, Boston, and its opening for Church work under the kindly guidance of the Rector of St. James's, Boston Highlands; the valuable and tasteful construction of a large Sunday-school room, reading-room, &c., in Grace, South Boston, principally through the parishioners' own efforts; the extinction of a considerable floating debt in St. Peter's, Cambridge; the enlargement, without debt, of the Rectory in Great Barrington; the securing and in part paying for the delightful new Rectory in Waltham; the erection of a tower for Trinity, Milford, with some regretted indebtedness, and a like structure at St. Thomas's, Somerville, with tasteful internal improvements; the rescue of the beautiful church of the Good Shepherd, West Springfield, through the good offices of Mr. Charles Ely, its founder and ever generous friend; the plucking out of imminent danger of Trinity, Wrentham, by the payment of its debt of nearly \$6,000, and the consecration of the Church; the release from peril of the Rectory, &c., at North Attleborough, by the raising of \$2,000; the completion of the handsome chancel, choir, and clergy rooms of the new Church of the Advent, Boston, the brethren most wisely counting *a part*, if paid for, more beautiful and acceptable to God, than *all*, if encumbered by heavy debt; the handsome and convenient Parish Building of Grace Church, Lawrence; the beautiful St. Thomas's Church and adjoining chapel, Methuen, with perhaps too much indebtedness; the very noteworthy growth, as in a night, of the picturesque and substantial St. James's, New Bedford, with not much debt, but with many worshippers; the cheering revival, after long suspense, of Christ Church, Plymouth, and the repairs and repainting, without and within, of its excellent church, now also cheered with a new organ of excellent quality,—all these things, taken together, call for gratitude to the great Head of the Church from all its members.

To those who love and prize this Catholic and Apostolic Church, and long for its greater purity and thence blessed power; the gradually increasing respect and regard for its Ministry, Creed, and Worship in this religiously distracted and largely unbelieving community, will be a welcome token of good.

But "we have this treasure in earthen vessels." We of the old Church sometimes forget that Ministers will best commend the apostolicity of their ministry by apostolic love, labor, and sacrifice in their lives and conversation; that the certainty and comfort of the old creeds is best illustrated by those who venture least in the perilous direction of modern rationalism or mediæval extravagance; and that should we set forth the Church's worship stripped of its holy beauty by our perfunctoriness, coldness, or irreverence, or loaded with so-called enrichments which *we* — not the Church — have stolen from mediæval spectacles, we are guilty of wounding Christ's Body in the house of its friends, and of repelling this gracious and hopeful public sentiment in its favor. I cannot be wrong when I say that it is precisely *the Church of the Prayer Book*, not of men's additions or subtractions, that many devout and thoughtful souls in this community are drawn towards by a holy and tender longing. They who want much less, have it where they are; they who want more, go beyond us — alas! some of them through us — to the Church whose extravagant faith and ritual laughs our stimulating but not satisfying imitations to scorn. Dear Brethren, I speak of matters only within my personal knowledge, when I say, that we have already repelled some choice spirits, who have looked longingly towards us, by words and acts in holy places, for which *the Church* has been held responsible. But so long as the Book of Common Prayer can be seen and known among men, the majority of thoughtful inquirers may be trusted to see the difference between what may be read *in* it and what may be read *into* it. And, notwithstanding acts by which our good name has been wounded, I think there have rarely been so many theological students, licentiates, or ministers of the several denominations inquiring concerning the old historic Ministry and Church as there are to-day. In our little group of candidates on the way to the Priesthood we number six such to-day; but you make a great miscalculation if you presume that the number of the received and the number of the inquirers is nearly the same, or that nearly all seekers can properly become welcomed finders of a place in this Church's sacred Ministry.

As I survey the pretty large and varied list of Parishes in this Diocese, I am deeply impressed with the varying characteristics of Parish administration. Many Parishes are managed by Rector, or

Vestry, or more happily by both, with a wisdom, prudence, and good sense which would ensure prosperity and harmony to almost an honest enterprise. Whatever the "rights" of the Christian Minister may be, it does not occur to such a Rector that it is his "right as a Christian man to force upon a congregation all his individual preferences as to machinery, organizations, hours, and observance in worship, and then call it disloyalty should the parishioners disapprove or decline hearty co-operation, while yet objecting to nothing which the Prayer Book and the Canons commend or require. Whatever may be the "rights" of such a Vestry or congregation as I have above described, they never think of disregarding such preferences of a Rector as may be fairly entitled to an honest trial and the people's good-will; as may be undertaken without pecuniary peril to the Parish; and as may not infringe upon *that indefeasible right, in both civil and canon law, of every Parish in the land; viz., to have its official ministrations according to the Prayer Book of this Protestant Episcopal Church, to which the Priest has sworn, and the people owe, conformity.* Where this rule for Pastor and people prevails, and an honest, transparent, unselfish life on the part of God's Minister is seen daily offered up in prayer and labor for the souls of the people, the good Lord is honored and His Church's welfare forwarded.

But there are matters of detail in wise parochial management, which are sometimes overlooked, in some cases to the breach of law, in others to the imperilling of sacred trusts. It is stated to me that there are Parishes in this Diocese, and some of them eminent ones, whose Ministers in times recently passed or just now, have lived or are living in habitual neglect of that most necessary and useful canon of the general Church, which says that "every Minister of this Church shall keep a Register of Baptisms, Confirmations, Communicants, Marriages, and Funerals, within his cure;" and also that he "shall make out and continue, as far as practicable, a list of all families and adult persons within his cure, to remain for the use of his successor, to be continued by him, and by every future Minister in the same Parish." Brethren of the Clergy, I will not argue the expediency of such a law, or its interest to every parishioner who has come to holy functions in your Parishes, or to your successor grievously wronged if there be negligence of it; I only admonish in the Lord, as becomes my office, every such violator of law; and

I remind them (if I am addressing any such) that every parishioner has the right to know that his own personal records are accurately kept in the Parish Register. An oversight of this sort in our Mother Church would subject a clergyman to the State's heavy pains and penalties.

The perfect security of title to our Church property I have spoken of in previous years, as a matter of exceeding moment in parochial administration. I am not going to enlarge upon it. But observation only deepens my conviction of the wisdom of our Parishes, especially the feebler ones, placing their titles in "*the Trustees of Donations.*" This secures the property against the mistakes or unfaithfulness of men who may have gotten control over it, by which a Church may be sold out for lucre, or made over to another religious body. Such acts, viewed as the management of funds given by subscription or bequest, for the one sacred and covenanted purpose, are disgraceful, and only not criminal. All such property should be out of the reach of mortgages, or the possibility of alienation. In proportion to the help given from outside the Parish, should the honor and conscience of parishioners demand perfect security for the title.

A beautiful Church, recently burned, which loss would apparently have crushed the feeble Parish to the ground, had there been no insurance, leads me to ask parochial managers whether they are using the same maxims of prudence and conscience in their care of their Church property, as they use in their own. A Church left uninsured, or only half or a quarter protected, throws away all chance of sympathy from its brethren, if it be destroyed. It would seem as if it should be especially agreeable to the honor and conscience of those who had received help from outside, to promote safety by insurance.

I cannot complete what ought to be said about parochial management, without a plain word of caution about unlawful methods of money-getting, by which, in times of necessity, our parochial managers may be tempted. The intense worldliness of some methods of eking out the income of the Parish, or of raising funds for a special object, will perhaps ensure a temporary success, but will also prove a long-lived curse to the spirituality of a Church. As I write these words, I have no one instance in this Diocese before me with whose details I am familiar, and which I am describing. But if it ever

has happened that the resources of the card-party ; the round dance—ever venturesome, but simply indecent in promiscuous assemblages ; the midnight excursion on road or water, with all its privileges of introduction and acquaintance, offered on street placards to every man and woman in the neighborhood who will pay a half-dollar for the rare opportunity ; the fascinations of the ball-room, or of the masquerade ;—if it has ever happened that such agencies have been called in to set forward the interests of Christ's kingdom, it were better to cast down the money, or give it for a Potter's field, if any such will accept it, for it may be "the price of blood," the cost of some soul that never would have gone from Christ to the service of the world and the flesh, unless bidden hither by Christ's members.

And I wish to say a word of fairs, sales, bazaars, and the like. First in defence of them ; for just now they are the most popular subjects of attack in high places, and it has come to pass that in no way is unworldliness more conveniently demonstrated than by repudiating these supposed embodiments of worldliness. They are among the best abused Christian efforts of the day. And they may be, and often are, Christian efforts ; Christian in purpose, in motive, in method, and in result. I do not say that for very many of our Parishes there is not "a more excellent way." I only say,—but that without hesitation,—that for some it may be their only remaining way, and not a bad one. A feeble Church, let us suppose, has worked up its weekly offerings, or its pew-rental, to the highest that Minister or people believe practicable, and has supplemented these regular offerings by special subscriptions, which the best Christian people in the Parish believe to be their utmost. They are just as devout, self-sacrificing, and sincere in this duty as other good men and women—perhaps as their critics. But a few hundred dollars must yet be gotten, or there will be disaster. The givers are still willing to give such as they have,—their labor, time, skill, artistic tastes, their handiwork, the choice flowers and fruits of their gardens or farms ; they will themselves send from their shops, stores, factories, &c., and persuade friends so to do. They who write, read, or sing with cunning and winning art, will give of their talents. But it is not money yet. The toilers must go farther, and turn the oblations into offerings. The gifts are sold at honest prices, strangers even gladly seconding the laborious and

honorable undertaking ; and the Orphanage, the Home for the sick or sinful, the Church, the poor man's Reading-room, or the faithful Pastor's continuance, is made secure.

I see in all this nothing which those who have no need of fairs should criticise ; nothing for those who have need of them to despise.

But I dare not stop just here. Fairs have been so conducted in this Commonwealth, and in many parts of the land, as to be almost swindling operations, and altogether violations of the laws and depravers of the public morality. A great cathedral in New York is in building by the vast proceeds of as shameless lotteries, and the petty earnings of as lawless gaming-tables as have ever been condemned in a court of law, and the method is defended by the authorities of that Archiepiscopal See. We preserve old, historic monuments here, which our forefathers made glorious by vindicating within their walls the majesty of law as against tyranny, by merry-makings within them, as we learn our fortune or our fate, in our great defiance of the laws of the Commonwealth against lotteries. And only recently, on Beacon Hill, our legislators were asked, as I am told, to invent provisions by which the lottery immorality may be kept out of Church premises, it being proposed to refuse exemption from taxes to such parts, buildings, or rooms within sacred precincts, as are used as places for violation of the law. Thank God that the State will care for morals if the Churches are indifferent ; but oh the shame ! the humiliation for Christian men ! Dear Brethren of the Clergy and Laity, I entreat you touch not this business in your Church management, unless it be with the scourge of small cords. Let no Mission or Parish be beguiled into any lottery scheme, or approximation to it, because of its gains. Your act is demoralizing, unchristian, criminal ; and it is a shame to say we do such things for Christ's sake and the Gospel's.

The Missionary work of our own Diocese, of necessity one of our chiefest interests as a Church, still fails of its noblest possible successes by reason of lukewarmness on the part of some of the Clergy and Parishes. It is very disheartening, dear Brethren, to find that some Parishes give less to *our own work* than to any other branch of Missions ; some are called on for only one offering a year, instead of the *two* commended by the canon ; and the offering has been taken, sometimes, from a congregation which knew of no such pur-

pass until the plate went out on its errand to empty pockets. You may possibly hear, from the Treasurer, of a Parish or two, not among the poorest, that have given not one cent during the entire year for this Church's work in Massachusetts. Where is the brotherhood? where the loyalty? where the conscience? But such, thank God, will ever be few. And we cannot afford to accept shame as a Church, and stagnation, even if some care not for it.

But whatever discouragements there may be, there are more encouragements. The Treasurer's Report will state the existence of a small indebtedness, I presume, because, at the hour of its completion, such existed. But at this later hour, I am enabled to state that there is no indebtedness; but, on the other hand, a small balance in the treasury. This is not the chief thing, however. That report will show you that during no previous year of the Board's history, have so many Parishes and Missions contributed to its treasury (I presume nearly every one that has had regular services); never before has the *number* of offerings been so large; never before has the *amount* of such offerings been larger, although special offerings for certain objects, like the extinction of debts, may have been sometimes greater. All this shows a growing interest just where all want to see it; viz., *among the people* throughout the Diocese. God grant it may still increase and multiply.

As for those varied branches of Missionary work undertaken by our Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, and the zeal and skill of the Society, in its many parochial representatives, nothing but praise can be said,—and that need not be. A silent work, yet full of holy fruits, is going on all over the Diocese through this happy agency.

The saddest official act of all the year to your Bishop, was that of the week of almost daily Conference of Bishops in New York, which resulted on the fourth day of September last in the deposition from the Episcopate, and from all the offices of the sacred Ministry, of the Rt. Rev. Samuel Allen McCoskry, D. D., D. C. L. Oxon., the Bishop of Michigan, and next in seniority to the Presiding Bishop of the Church. My personal relations to him during ten years of a happy Pastorate, and ever since, made my duty very, very painful; but a Bishop who will deliberately shrink from duty in discipline or counsel because it is painful, ought himself to be dismissed from his office. No doubt was left in the minds of those who had the ques-

tion of duty before them, what they owed to the Church in this matter, and I believe that the Church gained honor by their costly discharge of duty. No policy is so short-sighted as for the constituted authorities in a Church, national or diocesan, to try to walk backward, and not see the shame of a Minister of Christ who has disgraced his office in the sight of all other men. No scandal that can be made by canonical processes will equal that which in such cases already exists to the shame and indignation of multitudes, and which is fearfully enhanced by the suspicion that the Church tolerates in an officer what the Army and Navy would not tolerate for a moment, and cares more about its ease and comfort than about the honor and morals of its Ministers.

The most notable meeting of Bishops that has taken place since the English Reformation, occurred last summer at Lambeth, England. One hundred Bishops, representing every corner of the earth where the Reformed Catholic Church is known, held conference for one month, and were enabled with one mind and one mouth, to agree and speak as to not a few "things pertaining to the kingdom of God." With nearly all who profess and call themselves Churchmen, the utterances of such a venerable body will have exceeding weight; with a few in this country and in England, they have no weight at all on some grave matters, for reasons which are too apparent to need statement. But whether Churchmen find the test of true Churchmanship in respecting or repudiating the godly judgment of Bishops in all points where it differs from their own godly opinions and preferences, it may be well to quote the solemn utterance of this learned and godly representative Body as to two matters of interest. I wish to leave it on record before the Churchmen of this Diocese, so that some of our Laity who never see such utterances may know the opinion of the Bishops of the Church, the world over, in reference to such matters.

I shall quote simply their very words, without note or comment. On the subject which they style, "Difficulties arising from the revival of obsolete forms of Ritual," the Bishops declare that they unanimously "affirm the principle, that no alteration from long accustomed Ritual should be made contrary to the admonition of the Bishop of the Diocese." On the other general subject of difficulties arising, as they say, "from erroneous teaching on the subject of Confession," they affirm that the Church holds fast "those prin-

ciples which are set forth in the Holy Scriptures, which were professed by the Primitive Church, and which were reaffirmed at the English Reformation; and it is their deliberate opinion that no Minister of the Church is authorized to require of those who may resort to him to open their grief, a particular or detailed enumeration of all their sins, or to require private confession previous to receiving the Holy Communion, or to enjoin, or even encourage, the practice of habitual confession to a Priest, or to teach that such practice of habitual confession, or the being subject to what has been termed the direction of a Priest is a condition of attaining to the highest spiritual life." And the Bishops close by stating that in their judgment this "erroneous teaching on the subject of confession" — which they condemn — is not the Prayer Book teaching; for although they explicitly condemn such doctrines and practices, they declare in the same breath that "they are not to be understood as desiring to limit in any way the provision made in the Book of Common Prayer for the relief of troubled consciences."

As, now-a-days, "the revival of obsolete forms of Ritual," and "alterations from long-accustomed Ritual," are sometimes made in this American Church and persisted in, "contrary to the admonition of the Bishop;" and, as it has been in some cases taught that the "Minister of the Church is authorized to require of those who may resort to him to open their grief, a particular or detailed enumeration of all their sins," as a condition of his receiving the proffered confession and granting the desired judicial and personal absolution; and as it has been taught also by Ministers of this American Church that the Minister is authorized "to encourage the practice of habitual confession to a Priest," and "to teach that such practice of habitual confession, or the being subject to what has been termed the direction of a Priest," if not a condition, is in very many instances a most valuable and commended aid in "attaining to the highest spiritual life,"—I have deemed it my duty as an American Bishop to set plainly before you these utterances of the venerable Lambeth Conference. The American Church, when it knows the facts, and when it recalls also the solemn and unanimous utterances of its own House of Bishops, in Pastoral Letters of an earlier day warning against the same errors, may be safely trusted to judge, and to say through its honest, well-instructed, outspoken public opinion — whether it is more safe, loyal, and

Catholic to reverently heed the voice of the undivided Episcopate of the Church, or to accept in its place the private teachings and spiritual "direction" of a very few of its Presbyters, more eminent for zeal and devoted labors than for that humility and teachableness which best fits men to be teachers of their own flocks, or interpreters of the true mind of the Church for the benefit of those who have not yet seen all the new Ritual or theology in the old Prayer Book.

The same Lambeth Conference agreed to commend to all the Churches the solemn observance of Tuesday before Ascension Day, as a day of Intercession for Foreign Missions. The extraordinary outpourings of grace and blessing on the foreign work of late, and its great and ill-understood needs, combine to give the commendation great authority. I hope it may be heeded in every Church in the Diocese, and that, at a morning or evening service, on this Rogation Tuesday in Ascension Week, a sermon or address may quicken and inform the faithful as to God's singular blessings of late, and the field's present need. Offerings should be received for the Church's Foreign Missions. I would suggest that the service be made a special one, by the selection, at the discretion of the Minister, of appropriate Psalms, Lessons, and Hymns, and also by the use of such special Prayers as may be found in the Prayer Book, or set forth by any Bishop of the Church, or by the House of Bishops in 1865, and now in common use among us at Missionary meetings.

It only remains to say that, as usual, I append to this Address (to be read if called for) the canonically required Journal of my official acts, and also the lists, specified by the canon, with others of value.

And I commend you to God and to the word of His grace for guidance in the duties before you. May the Holy Ghost endow these chosen counsellors of Christ's Church with the spirit of truth and peace, of love and power; and to the Triune God shall be the glory.

BENJ. H. PADDOCK,

Bishop of Massachusetts.

EIGHTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION, }
ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BOSTON, May 14, 1879. }

APPENDIX I.

I append lists of interest and value (most of which are required by canon), under three heads:—

I. HELPERS AND SEEKERS OF THE SACRED MINISTRY.

1. LAY READERS.

(Holding License till Advent, 1879.)

Harold Arrowsmith.
Thomas Mair.
Clarence E. Kelley.
James W. Preston.
James W. Brown.
Edward Cate.
Edgar W. Upton.
John T. Adams.
William R. Wills.
Frederick A. Warner.
Henry P. Webber.
Edmund H. Bennett.
J. D. W. French.
Percy G. Webber.
James A. Tyng.
Frederick A. Cowper.
Henry R. Sargent.
E. C. Millett.
Frank A. Sanborn.
William Bailey.
Charles W. K. Morrill.
Charles H. Phelps.
Thomas H. Howard.
Henry M. Snell.
Paul Sterling.
Edmund R. Woodman.

J. Nelson Jones.
Andrew A. Harwood.
Job Turner.
Charles French.
Alfred Gilman, Jr.
Edmund P. Kendrick.
William H. Bent.
Chester C. Conant.
Edward Otis Stanley.
Andrew A. Harwood.
George A. Holbrook.
Williams Howland, Jr.
Frederic Gardiner.
J. W. Bigney.
Henry S. Nash.
James W. Gilman.
Richard Middleton.
James M. Hubbard.
John W. Suter.
Frederick B. Allen.
Benjamin H. Downes.
L. S. Brayton.
Alfred F. Washburne.
William H. Burbank.
Alexander Burdon.

2. POSTULANTS.

Melville K. Bailey,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	Admitted Jan. 5, 1876.
Robert L. Winkley,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" July 7, 1876.
Gustavus Tuckerman, 2d,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" March 9, 1877.
Henry M. Tupper,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" May 4, 1877.
Wyllis Henri Stone,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" May 28, 1877.
Charles M. Addison,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" Feb. 18, 1879.

3. CANDIDATES FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

John Nelson Jones,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	Admitted Nov. 6, 1878.
Frederick Baylies Allen,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" April 1, 1879.

4. CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

Reuben Kidner (Deacon),	.	.	.	.	.	Admitted	July 19, 1875.
Arthur Henry Barrington (Deacon),	.	.	.	.	.	"	Sept. 10, 1875.
Jeremiah Jewett Cressey,	.	.	.	.	.	"	Sept. 9, 1876.
Henry J. Sheridan,	.	.	.	.	.	"	Sept. 13, 1876.
David Jacobs Ayers,	.	.	.	.	.	"	June 21, 1877.
John Alma Bevington,	.	.	.	.	.	"	Sept. 7, 1877.
Edmund Radcliffe Woodman,	.	.	.	.	.	"	Oct. 2, 1877.
Augustine H. Amory,	.	.	.	.	.	"	Oct. 2, 1877.
James Ward Gilman,	.	.	.	.	.	"	Nov. 6, 1877.
Paul Sterling,	.	.	.	.	.	"	Nov. 6, 1877.
William Harry Burbank,	.	.	.	.	.	"	May 9, 1878.
Francis Guild Burgess,	.	.	.	.	.	"	May 9, 1878.
Leverett Bradley, Jr. (Deacon),	.	.	.	.	.	Admitted by Letters	July 3, 1878.
Albert E. George (Deacon),	.	.	.	.	.	"	Sept. 14, 1878.
Samuel Hodgkiss,	.	.	.	.	.	Admitted	Sept. 17, 1878.
Frederick W. Dennis,	.	.	.	.	.	"	Oct. 1, 1878.
Charles R. Talbot (Deacon),	.	.	.	.	.	Admitted by Letters	Nov. 19, 1878.
George S. Bennitt (Deacon),	.	.	.	.	.	Admitted	Nov. 22, 1878.
Frederick Palmer (Deacon),	.	.	.	.	.	"	Dec. 7, 1878.
Henry S. Nash,	.	.	.	.	.	"	Jan. 7, 1879.
Edward Abbott (Deacon),	.	.	.	.	.	"	Jan. 17, 1879.

II. THE CLERGY RECORD.

1. ELECTION OF BISHOP.

Consent Given.

The Right Rev. John H. D. Wingfield, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Northern California; to be Bishop of Louisiana.

2. ORDINATIONS TO THE DIACONATE.

June 19, 1878.	Reuben Kidner,	} in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
June 19, 1878.	Charles J. Palmer,	
June 19, 1878.	Arthur H. Barrington,	
Dec. 6, 1878.	Frederic Palmer, in St. James's, Boston Highlands.	
Jan. 8, 1879.	Edward Abbott,	} in St. James's, Cambridge.
Jan. 8, 1879.	Thomas W. Nickerson,	

3. ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD.

June 14, 1878.	Edwin W. Gould,	} in St. John's, Boston Highlands.
June 14, 1878.	Leighton Parks,	
June 14, 1878.	George E. Osgood,	
June 14, 1878.	Lindall W. Saltonstall,	
June 14, 1878.	John T. Rose,	
Sept. 22, 1878.	Henry E. Cotton, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Paris, France; by Bishop Littlejohn.	

4. RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES.

June 21, 1878.	Charles H. Proctor, from Connecticut.
July 3, 1878.	Leverett Bradley, Jr. (Deacon), from Connecticut.
July 19, 1878.	James A. Sanderson, from Central New York.
Sept. 9, 1878.	Henry L. Foote, from Nevada.
Sept. 14, 1878.	Albert E. George (Deacon), from New York.
Oct. 4, 1878.	Jesse E. Heald, from Connecticut.
Nov. 4, 1878.	John C. Welwood, from Long Island.
Nov. 9, 1878.	Edward W. Osborne, from Exeter, England.
Nov. 19, 1878.	Charles R. Talbot (Deacon), from Rhode Island.
Dec. 30, 1878.	John Cotton Brooks, from Rhode Island.
April 23, 1879.	Frederick H. T. Horsfield, from New York.
May 8, 1879.	George A. Strong, from Ohio.

5. TRANSFERRED* TO OTHER DIOCESES.

June 5, 1878. Franklin L. Bush, to North Carolina.
 Aug. 6, 1878. Thomas G. Carver, D. D., to Northern New Jersey.
 Nov. 20, 1878. William W. Groton, to Frederickton.
 —, —, —. Theodosius S. Tyng, to Japan.
 Dec. 4, 1878. Thomas Burgess, to Vermont.
 Jan. 6, 1879. Edmund Rowland, to Southern Ohio.
 Feb. 6, 1879. John T. Rose, to Southern Ohio.
 Feb. 12, 1879. Francis Chase, to New York.
 Mar. 27, 1879. Charles H. Babcock, to Southern Ohio.
 April 10, 1879. Robert C. Rogers, to Northern New Jersey.
 May 13, 1879. Charles J. Palmer (Deacon), to New York.

6. DECEASED.

Oct. 23, 1878. William P. Page.
 Dec. 1, 1878. Eleazer M. P. Wells, D. D.
 Dec. 15, 1878. Frederick A. Fiske.

7. RESIGNATIONS.

F. L. Bush, Missionary, St. Paul's, Hopkinton and Marlborough.
 Thos. G. Carver, D. D., Missionary, Good Shepherd, Brockton.
 E. W. Gould, Assistant, St. John's, Boston Highlands.
 Wm. M. Groton, Rector, St. Anne's, S. Lincoln.
 Geo. E. Osgood, Assistant, Christ, Waltham.
 Theodosius S. Tyng, Rector, St. James's, Cambridge.
 Wm. C. Langdon, D. D., Rector, Christ Church, Cambridge.
 John T. Rose, Assistant, St. Paul's, Boston.
 B. F. Cooley, Rector House of Prayer, Lowell, and Emmanuel, Chelmsford.
 Edmund Rowland, Rector, Grace, New Bedford.
 Thos. Burgess, Rector, St. John's, N. Adams.
 Francis Chase, Rector, St. John's, Framingham.
 Chas. H. Babcock, Rector, St. Mark's, Boston.
 Wm. F. Lloyd, Missionary, Grace, Oxford.
 R. S. Howard, D. D., Rector, Reconciliation, Webster.
 A. R. Jennings, Rector, St. Mark's, S. Adams, and officiating at Chapel, Williams-town.
 R. T. Rogers, Secretary of the Indian Department, Board of Missions, New York.
 Geo. R. Wheelock, Rector, Trinity, Milford.
 C. Collard Adams, Rector, St. Luke's, Lanesborough.

8. ELECTIONS OR APPOINTMENTS.

A. H. Barrington, Assistant, Ascension, Fall River.
 Geo. E. Osgood, Assistant, All Saints', Worcester, and in charge of St. Matthew's, Worcester.
 Reuben Kidner, Rector, Ascension, Ipswich.
 A. E. George, Rector, St. George's, Lee.
 Chas. H. Proctor, Rector, St. James's, New Bedford.
 J. E. Heald, Rector, St. John's, Millville.
 Thos. Cole, in charge, Messiah, Auburndale.
 B. F. Cooley, Rector, Atonement, Westfield.
 John C. Welwood, Rector, St. Peter's, Beverly.
 Jas. A. Sanderson, Missionary at Good Shepherd, Brockton, and Christ Church, Plymouth.
 Chas. R. Talbot, Rector, Trinity, Wrentham.
 Edward W. Osborne, Assistant, Advent, Boston.
 Thos. W. Nickerson, Assistant, St. Matthew's, South Boston.
 —, —, —. I. Foote, Rector, Good Shepherd, Clinton.
 —, —, —. Parks, Rector, Emmanuel, Boston.
 —, —, —. Palmer, Assistant, Emmanuel, Boston.

* The date given is the canonical one; viz., that of my receipt of the acceptance of the necessary.

John C. Brooks, Rector, Christ Church, Springfield.
 Leverett Bradley, Jr., Assistant, Trinity, Boston.
 Edward Abbott, Minister, St. James's, Cambridge.
 Geo. A. Strong, Rector, Grace, New Bedford.
 F. H. T. Horsfield, Rector, Christ, Hyde Park.

III. CHURCHES.

1. CONSECRATED.

Jan. 2, 1879. Trinity, Wrentham; by the Bishop.

2. OPENED ANEW.

St. Anne's Chapel, Boston.
 Chapel of new Church of the Advent, Boston.
 St. Thomas's Church, Methuen.
 Chapel of Grace Church, Lawrence.
 St. James's Church, New Bedford.

3. IN BUILDING.

St. George's Church, Lee.

APPENDIX II.

JOURNAL OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

1878.

- May 22.** St. Paul's Church, Boston. Eighty-eighth Annual Convention of the Diocese. Presided at the Opening Meeting at 9 o'clock, and afterwards at the Public Services, celebrating the Holy Communion. Afternoon: Second Session. Evening: brief address at the Diocesan Choir Festival, in Trinity Church.
- " **23.** Morning Prayers with the Convention, and afterwards two Business Sessions.
- " **26.** Fifth Sunday after Easter, A.M.: Grace, Newton; preached; confirmed 18, and addressed them. Afternoon: Messiah, Auburndale; preached.
- " **27.** St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston. Confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " **30.** Ascension Day. Christ Church, Norwich, Conn.; celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: preached.
- June 2.** Sunday after Ascension, A.M.: St. John's, Lawrence; celebrated the Holy Communion; preached; confirmed 29, and addressed them. Afternoon: Grace, Lawrence; catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: preached; confirmed 32, and addressed them.
- " **3.** Afternoon: Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions. Evening: Committee from a Parish.
- " **4.** Evening: Trinity, Bridgewater; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " **5.** Afternoon: St. Matthew's, Boston; assisted at a funeral. Also: Episcopal City Mission Executive Committee.
- " **6.** Evening: Grace, Amherst; preached; confirmed 18, and addressed them.
- " **7.** Afternoon: St. Philip's, Easthampton; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, Northampton; preached.
- " **9.** Whitsunday, A.M.: St. John's, Ashfield; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: preached.
- " **10.** Evening: St. James's, Greenfield; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them. Also, brief address on Diocesan Missions.
- " **12, 13.** Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge: Annual Examinations. Also, in Boston, Bishop's examination of those about to be ordained to the Priesthood.

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- June 14. Ember Day, A.M.: St. John's, Boston Highlands; ordination to the Priesthood of five Deacons, the Rev. Wm. T. Fitch being the preacher, and the Parish aiding us by its glowing services and delightful hospitality.
- " 16. Trinity Sunday, A.M.: The Evangelists', Boston; confirmed 13; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 17. Boston: second canonical examination of three candidates.
- " 18. Continued examination.
- " 19. Forenoon: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; ordination of three candidates to the Diaconate, the Bishop of Central New York kindly preaching the sermon.
- " 21. Evening: Grace, Fiskdale; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 22. Afternoon: St. Paul's, Holyoke; confirmed 2 in private.
- " 23. First Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: same parish; preached; confirmed 17, and addressed them. Also, catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: Atonement, Westfield; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 25. Hartford, Conn. Annual meeting of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry; meeting of the Executive Committee of the Society.
- " 26. Forenoon: Trinity College Chapel, Hartford; assisted at morning prayer; meeting of Trustees of the College. Afternoon: second session of Trustees.
- " 27. Attended Commencement Exercises, as Visitor and Trustee.
- " 30. Second Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Grace, N. Attleboro'; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. Afternoon: Trinity, Wrentham; preached.
- July 1. Evening: Messiah, Wood's Holl; preached, and confirmed 1.
- " 2. Evening: Marion; held service, and preached.
- " 5. Brookline (for St. James's Church, Boston Highlands); confirmed 1 in private.
- " 7. Third Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Good Shepherd, Boston; celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 14. Fourth Sunday after Trinity. York Harbor, Me.; service and sermon.
- " 21. Fifth Sunday after Trinity. York Harbor, Me.; service and sermon.
- " 28. Sixth Sunday after Trinity. York Harbor, Me.; service and sermon.
- Aug. 4. Seventh Sunday after Trinity. Tamworth Iron Works, N. H.; service and sermon.
- " 11. Eighth Sunday after Trinity. Tamworth Iron Works, N. H.; service and sermon.
- " 18. Ninth Sunday after Trinity. Tamworth Iron Works, N. H.; service and sermon in the Baptist House of Worship.
- " 25. Tenth Sunday after Trinity. Tamworth Iron Works, N. H.; service and sermon.
- " 28. Grace Chapel, New York; opening services of the meeting of the Bishops of the Church. Afternoon: informal meeting.
- " 29. Informal meeting of the same.
- " 30. Informal meeting of the same; Committee of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry.
- Sept. 1. Eleventh Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Peter's Church, Brooklyn; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: preached.
- " 2. Grace Chapel, New York; informal meeting of the Bishops. Evening: regular and organized meeting of the same.
- " 3. Forenoon: same meeting. Afternoon: at this final meeting Bishop McCoskry, of Michigan, was deposed from the Sacred Ministry.
- " 7. Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Christ Church, Boston; preached, and administered the Holy Communion. Evening: St. Anne's Chapel, Boston Highlands; preached.
- " 13. Boston. Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission.
- " 15. Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. John's, Gloucester; preached, and confirmed 1. Afternoon: preached at the Mission at Rockport. Evening: preached again at St. John's, Gloucester.
- " 16. Evening: Ascension, Ipswich; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 19. Evening: St. Anne's, Lincoln; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 20. Boston: Committee from a Parish.

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- Sept. 22. Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. John's, North Adams; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them; afterwards catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. John's Mission, Williamstown; preached.
- " 23. Afternoon: Christ, Sheffield; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them. Evening: St. James's, Great Barrington; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 24. Evening: Trinity, Van Deusenville; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 25. Afternoon: Trinity, Lenox; preached.
- " 26. Evening: St. Mark's, South Adams; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 27. Afternoon: St. Luke's, Lanesborough; met the Vestry; later, preached, and confirmed 1. Evening: St. Stephen's, Pittsfield; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- " 28. Afternoon: St. Paul's, Otis; baptized 1, confirmed 1, and preached.
- " 29. Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity; also St. Michael, and All Angels, A.M.: St. Paul's, Stockbridge; catechised and addressed the Sunday School; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them. Afternoon: preached at the South Lee Mission. Evening: St. George's, Lee; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- Oct. 2. Evening: Trinity, Melrose; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 4. Evening: Women's Reformatory Prison, Sherburne; had a service; and preached to several hundred poor women. God be merciful unto them, and show them the light of His countenance!
- " 5. Evening: Good Shepherd, Boston; confirmed 2.
- " 6. Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Trinity, Weymouth; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them; also catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Afternoon: Christ, Quincy; addressed the Sunday School; preached; confirmed 17, and addressed them.
- " 7. Boston: Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 9. Afternoon: Boston; Executive Committee Episcopal City Mission. Evening: Committee from a Parish.
- " 13. Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Grace, Oxford; preached. Afternoon: Christ, Rochdale; preached. Evening: Mission, Cherry Valley; preached; met several parishioners in conference.
- " 14. Afternoon: St. John's, Wilkinsonville; preached. Evening: Mission, Millbury; preached.
- " 16. Boston, P.M.: Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission. Evening: St. Paul's; presided at the Anniversary of the Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, and made an address. Bishop Whipple, the Rev. A. Z. Gray, the Rev. O. P. Thacker, and the Rev. W. J. Boone, of China, made the meeting a very valuable one.
- " 18. St. Luke's, P.M.: St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston; Annual Meeting of the Corporation.
- " 20. Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Ascension, Fall River; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them. Afternoon: Christ, Swansea; preached. Evening: Globe Mission, Fall River; preached.
- " 21. Evening: Trinity, Milford; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 23. Afternoon: General Theological Seminary, New York; meeting of the Board of Trustees.
- " 24. Evening: Holy Trinity, Brooklyn; was present, and said a word of welcome at the reception of the Bishop of Long Island on his return from the Lambeth Conference.
- " 27. Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Paul's, Natick; preached. Afterwards addressed the Sunday School. Afternoon: in the Congregational House of Worship, Wellesley; preached for the Mission. Evening: St. Paul's, Natick; preached the second time; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 28. St. Simon and St. Jude, A.M.: St. Mark's Church, Southborough; celebrated the Holy Communion; visited St. Mark's School. Afternoon: addressed the scholars. Evening: Good Shepherd Mission, Clinton; confirmed 2 in private, 6 at the church; preached and addressed them.
29. Evening: All Saints', Worcester; *Eighth Semi-Annual Diocesan Missionary Meeting*; opening service.

Oct. 30. Forenoon: celebrated the Holy Communion, and made an address at an Informal Conference. Afternoon: public meeting for consolidating day-school interests. Evening: the closing Missionary Meeting of services was full of interest and profit.

Nov. 1. All Saints', A.M.: Emmanuel, Boston; celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: St. Paul's, Malden; preached; confirmed 17, and addressed them.

" 3. Twentieth Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. John's, East Boston; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 14, and addressed them. Evening: Mission, Wakefield; preached.

" 5. Boston, A.M.: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission; Grace, Newton; Eastern Convocation; opened at Business Meeting. Evening: made an address.

" 6. Evening: St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls; preached.

" 8. Boston: Board of Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.

" 9. Evening: Mission, Peabody; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.

" 10. Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Peter's, Beverly; confirmed 2, and addressed them. Afternoon: catechised at the Sunday School. Evening: St. Stephen's, Lynn; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.

" 11. Evening: Calvary, Danvers; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.

" 13. Boston: Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission; Annals of the Corporation.

" 16. Afternoon: Mission, Brockton; preached; and confirmed 1.

" 17. Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Grace, New Bedford; resigned alone, and preached; the Rector being absent, and on resigning his Parish; a real loss to the Church. Afternoon: St. Luke's, Boston; catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. Luke's, Boston; catechised and addressed the Sunday School. The mission since completed and entered upon, is a churchy and beautiful one, and has been a wonderful creation.

" 18. Evening: St. John's, Millville; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them. The excellent work done here is binding up the work of the past, and pouring in oil and wine.

" 20. Forenoon: Church Home for Orphans, South Boston; Annals of the Trustees. Afternoon: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; the students of the Episcopal Theological School.

" 22. Boston; examination of three candidates for Deacons' Orders.

" 24. Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Paul's, Dedham; confirmed 3, and addressed them.

" 26. Afternoon: Church Home, South Boston; presided at and addressed the Annual Meeting of the Corporation.

" 28. Thanksgiving Day, A.M.: assisted at Emmanuel, Boston.

Dec. 1. First Sunday in Advent, A.M.: Good Shepherd, Dedham; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. Evening: St. Matthew's, Boston; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.

" 2. Afternoon: Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions.

" 4. Forenoon: Boston; Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission; meeting of the Corporation.

" 5. Noon: St. Paul's, Boston; at the funeral of the Rev. E. M. P. W. took part and made an address; also took part at Mourning Cemetery.

" 6. Forenoon: St. James's, Boston Highlands; ordained to the Ministry, Frederic Palmer, late a Congregational minister, the Rev. Dr. Palmer kindly preaching the sermon.

" 8. Second Sunday in Advent: St. Luke's, Chelsea; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them. Among these were two deaf-mutes from which children of silence I have confirmed several during the partial result of the tireless and wide-spread labors of the Rev. J. Gallaudet, of St. Anne's Church for Deaf Mutes, New York City, present and interpreted. Evening: Ascension Mission, C. preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.

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- Dec. 9. Forenoon: Church Rooms, Boston; presided at and addressed a meeting of the Clergy to take action on the death of the Rev. Dr. Wells. Afternoon: Corporation of the Episcopal City Mission; Executive Committee of the same.
- " 10. Boston: Committee on Public Meeting in reference to a Memorial of Dr. Wells.
- " 11. Another meeting of the same nature.
- " 13. Afternoon: Hartford, Conn.; Executive Committee Society for the Increase of the Ministry. Evening: Another long session.
- " 15. Third Sunday in Advent, A. M.: St. Mary's for Sailors, Boston; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them. Evening: Church of the Advent, Boston; preached; confirmed 30, and addressed them.
- " 16. Boston: At a meeting of the Clergy called attention to the death of the Rev. F. A. Fiske. Later: Trustees of St. Mark's School, Southborough.
- " 18. Ember Day, P. M.: Grace, North Attleborough; Funeral of the Rev. Frederick A. Fiske, at which I made an address. The Rev. Messrs. Learoyd, Spear, and Talbot assisted also.
- " 19. Evening: Trinity Chapel, Boston; presided at and addressed a meeting to consider a Memorial to the Rev. Dr. Wells.
- " 20. Afternoon: Ember Day: St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston; preached, and confirmed 7.
- " 26. St. Stephen's, P. M.: Visitation of the Church Home, South Boston; preached to the children.
- " 29. Sunday after Christmas, A. M.: St. Mary's, Dorchester; preached, and confirmed 10. Afternoon: All Saints', Dorchester; catechised the Sunday School; preached, and confirmed 2.
- " 30. Afternoon: Boston; Committee of Twelve on Dr. Wells' Memorial.

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- Jan. 2. Trinity, Wrentham; Consecrated the Church, preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 4. Boston: Directors of the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society.
- " 5. Second Sunday after Christmas, A. M.: St. Stephen's, Boston; preached, and confirmed 10. Afternoon: Good Shepherd, Boston; confirmed 1. Evening: Evangelists', Boston; confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- " 7. Evening: Christ, Cambridge; preached before the St. Paul's Society of Harvard College.
- " 8. St. James's, Cambridge; Ordained to the Diaconate Edward Abbott (lately a Congregationalist Minister), and Thos. W. Nickerson; the Rev. Mr. Learoyd being the preacher.
- " 9. Boston: Met the Dr. Wells Memorial Committee.
- " 12. First Sunday after the Epiphany, A. M.: St. Margaret's, Brighton; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Afternoon: St. John's, Arlington; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 15. Evening: St. John's, Framingham; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 16. Evening: St. Paul's, Boston; presided at the Missionary meeting of the Foreign Division of the Woman's Auxillary, the Rev. Mr. Fair of Africa, Secretary Kimber, and myself, making addresses.
- " 17. Boston: Met the Dr. Wells Memorial Committee.
- " 18. Boston: Met sub-committee of the same.
- " 19. Second Sunday after the Epiphany, A. M.: St. Paul's, Brookline; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them. Evening: Messiah, Boston; made an address at a meeting in behalf of Diocesan Missions. The Rev. Dr. Parker, and the Rev. Mr. Converse, also Mr. Blatchford, the Treasurer of the Board, made addresses.
- " 21. Evening: Christ, Cambridge; took part of the service, the Bishop of Connecticut preaching before the St. Paul's Society of Harvard College.
- " 23. Boston: Met the Committee on Dr. Wells' Memorial.
- " 26. Third Sunday after Epiphany, A. M.: St. Matthew's, South Boston; preached; confirmed 26, and addressed them. Evening: St. James's Chapel, West Somerville; preached.
- " 27. Boston: Board of Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School.

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- Feb. 2. Fourth Sunday after Epiphany, A. M.: St. James's, Cambridge; preached the Holy Communion; confirmed 10, and addressed them. Afternoon: St. John's Memorial Chapel; preached; confirmed 4 and addressed them.
- " 3. Met the Dr. Wells Memorial Committee; also the Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 5. Boston: Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 8. Afternoon: Emmanuel Chapel, Chelmsford; preached.
- " 9. Septuagesima Sunday, A. M.: St. John's, Lowell; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them; also one in extreme illness. Afternoon: Anne's, Lowell; preached; confirmed 17, and addressed them. Evening: House of Prayer, Lowell; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 11. Hartford, Conn.: Executive Committee of Society for the Increase of Ministry.
- " 15. Afternoon: St. Paul's, Boston; addressed a meeting of many scholars of our Sunday Schools.
- " 16. Sexagesima, A. M.: St. John's, Jamaica Plain; preached; confirmed 1, and addressed them. Evening: St. Paul's, Boston; addressed a meeting under the auspices of the Dakota League Division of Woman's Auxiliary. Bishop Hare and the Rector also spoke.
- " 18. Afternoon: St. John's, Jamaica Plain; meeting of the Southern Convention; presided, and made an address. Evening: Presided at the meeting.
- " 19. Boston: Met a Parish Committee.
- " 20. Boston: Opened with prayer a meeting of the Bible Revision Committee.
- " 21. Evening: Reconciliation, Webster; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 23. Quinquagesima, A. M.: St. Matthew's, Worcester; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them. Afternoon: All Saints', Worcester; catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: same Church; preached; confirmed 23, and addressed them.
- " 24. St. Matthias's Day; Boston; second examination of four candidates for Priest's Orders.
- Mar. 2. First Sunday in Lent, A. M.: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 14, and addressed them. Afternoon: Emmanuel, Boston; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 3. Afternoon: St. Luke's Home, Boston; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 4. Met with Standing Committee to consider the dissolution of a Parish connection.
- " 5. Met a Committee on same subject.
- " 6. Boston: Met a Committee on Parish matters. Boston: Society for the Suppression of Vice. Evening: Christ, Hyde Park; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 7. Boston: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 8. Boston: Same Committee.
- " 9. Second Sunday in Lent, A. M.: St. Thomas's, East Somerville; preached; confirmed 16, and addressed them. At noon: Confirmed one in parish. Afternoon: Emmanuel, Somerville; catechised and addressed the day School; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 11. Afternoon: Messiah, Boston; made a Lenten Address.
- " 13. Evening: Trinity, Woburn; preached; confirmed 18, and addressed them.
- " 14. Evening: St. Mark's, Boston; confirmed 12, and addressed them. Parish has a great loss in the departure of its Rector for a new field.
- " 16. Third Sunday in Lent, A. M.: St. Paul's, Boston; preached; confirmed 23, and addressed them. Evening: Messiah, Boston; preached; confirmed 17, and addressed them.
- " 17. Committee from a Parish.
- " 19. Committee from a vacant Parish.

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- Mar. 19.** Afternoon: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; took part in the Funeral Services of the late Robert M. Mason. Evening: Trinity, Melrose; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 20. Committee from a Mission Chapel.
- " 21. Committee from St. Luke's Home, Boston. Committee from the Standing Committee of the Diocese.
- " 23. Fourth Sunday in Lent, A. M.: Grace, Medford; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them. Afternoon: Christ, Waltham; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 25. Annunciation B. V. M., A. M.: St. John's, Charlestown; assisted at the funeral of Miss Caroline Colby. Evening: St. Paul's, Dedham; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 26. Boston: Met with the Standing Committee of the Diocese.
- " 27. Boston: Society for the Suppression of Vice. Afterwards, public meeting in behalf of the same.
- " 29. Afternoon: Good Shepherd, Boston; a Lenten Address.
- " 30. Fifth Sunday in Lent, A. M.: St. John's, Boston Highlands; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them. Evening: St. Peter's, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- April 1.** Boston: Trustees of Clerical Fund; Standing Committee of the Diocese.
- " 3. State Fast-Day, A. M.: St. Thomas's, Taunton; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, Taunton; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. By an error in the placing of words, it was said of St. Thomas's Church in my Record of last year, that it was suffering grievously from wounds received in the house of its friends. It was not of this Parish that this was true; it has had no discipline of trial, but only of abounding prosperity, during the happy years of its present Rectorship.
- " 6. Sixth Sunday in Lent, A. M.: St. John's, Charlestown; preached; confirmed 27, and addressed them. Afternoon: Trinity, Boston; preached; confirmed 64, and addressed them.
- " 8. Tuesday before Easter, A. M.: St. Paul's, Boston; made an address. Evening: St. James's, Boston Highlands; preached; confirmed 20, and addressed them.
- " 9. Wednesday before Easter, A. M.: St. Paul's, Boston; assisted the Rector. Evening: Church of Our Saviour, Longwood; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 10. Thursday before Easter, A. M.: St. Paul's, Boston; made an address.
- " 11. Good Friday, A. M.: Emmanuel, Boston; assisted. Evening: Christ, Boston; preached; confirmed 16, and addressed them.
- " 13. Easter Day, A. M.: Grace, South Boston; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 13, and addressed them. Evening: Christ, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 13, and addressed them.
- " 14. Monday in Easter Week, P. M.: Trustees of St. Luke's Home, Boston.
- " 19. Evening: St. Michael's, Marblehead; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 20. First Sunday after Easter, A. M.: Grace, Salem; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them. Afternoon: confirmed 1 in private for St. Peter's. Evening: St. Peter's; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- " 21. Boston: Trustees Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society; Lady Associates of St. Luke's Home; Committee from a Parish; Episcopal City Mission Executive Committee.
- " 23. Boston: Trustees St. Luke's Home.
- " 24. Evening: Christ, Fitchburg; preached; confirmed 15, and addressed them.
- " 25. St. Mark's Day, A. M.: Southborough; Trustees St. Mark's School. Afternoon: St. Mark's Church; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- " 26. Evening: St. Thomas's, Methuen; preached; confirmed 35, and addressed them.
- " 27. Second Sunday after Easter, A. M.: Christ, Andover; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them. Afternoon: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. James's, South Groveland; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.

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- April 28. Evening: St. John the Evangelist's, Haverhill; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- " 29. Evening: Trinity, Haverhill; opening of the Ninth Semi-Annual Diocesan Missionary Meeting; confirmed 5, and addressed them. The sermon was preached by Dr. Wm. R. Huntington.
- " 30. Diocesan Missionary Meeting continued. Morning Prayer at St. John the Evangelist's. Holy Communion at Trinity Church, Dr. Coolidge giving the *Concio ad Clerum*. Afternoon: made an address at the Sunday-school meeting. Evening: address at the final Missionary Meeting in Trinity Church. This *Ninth Meeting* was an excellent one.
- May 1. St. Philip and St. James: Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 4. Third Sunday after Easter, A. M.: St. James's, Amesbury; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them. Evening: St. Paul's, Newburyport; preached; confirmed 13, and addressed them.
- " 6. Evening: Advent, Boston; confirmed 59, and addressed them.
- " 11. Fourth Sunday after Easter, A. M.: Christ, Plymouth; preached and celebrated the Holy Communion. Afternoon: catechised and addressed the Sunday School; also preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 13. Boston, A. M.: Clerical Fund Directors; Trustees of the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen; Annual Meeting of the Society. Afternoon: Diocesan Board of Missions. Evening: St. Paul's Church, Boston; public meeting in behalf of Diocesan Missions.
- " 14. St. Paul's Church, Boston; at 9 A. M. took part in the opening meeting of the Eighty-Ninth Annual Convention of the Diocese; and later presided at the Opening Services of Convention, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

This completes the record up to the reading of this Annual Address.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROLD presented the Annual Report of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

REPORT OF THE BOARD.

The Treasurer's statement exhibits in detail the receipts and expenditure for the year.

The Board came before the Convention last year with a debt of \$1,612.87, which was discharged by individual gifts and pledges during the sitting of the Convention.

The receipts for the past year — 1878-79 — have been \$9,503.91, from the following sources:—

From Parish Offerings	\$7,540.46
" Individual Gifts	592.10
" Legacies	398.92
" Special gifts for Extinguishing the debt of Trinity Church, Wrentham	500.00
" Mass. Church Missionary Society	40.00
" Individual Gifts to extinguish debt	432.43

Total receipts for the year \$9,503.91

Included in the receipts from "Parish Offerings" are the following amounts received from Convocations:—

From the Central Convocation	\$23.37
" Eastern Convocation	41.80
" Southern Convocation	19.00
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	\$84.17

The total expenditure for the year has been \$9,503.91, for the following purposes:—

Payment of Stipends to Parishes and Missions . . .	\$7,991.69
Publication and distribution of "The Diocese" . . .	289.83
Expense Account	310.42
Investment of Legacies	398.92
Expense of Missionary Meetings	13.05
For extinguishing debt of Trinity Church, Wrentham . .	500.00

Total expenditure for the year \$9,503.91

One hundred and thirteen Parishes and Missions have contributed during the year 200 offerings to the treasury of the Board, and a total sum of \$7,540.46, as compared with 171 offerings, and a total of \$6,749.20 contributed last year by 96 Parishes and Missions—a gain of 17 in the number of contributing Parishes; of 29 in number of offerings, and of \$791.26 in the amount of offerings received. The number of contributing Parishes, and the number of offerings contributed, is larger than ever before; and the amount of offerings received is within \$21.24 of the largest receipts from this source in any year since the organization of the Board, namely, in 1875-76, when the amount reached \$7,561.70.

Thirty-five Parishes and Missions have been aided during the year, as follows: Arlington, St. John's; Ashfield, St. John's; Bridgewater, Trinity; Brighton, St. Margaret's; Brockton, St. Paul's Mission; Cambridge, Ascension Mission; Chelmsford, St. Anne's; Cherry Valley, Mission; Clinton, Good Shepherd; Danvers, Calvary; Dorchester Lower Mills, All Saints'; Easthampton, St. Philip's; Fall River, Mission; Framingham, St. John's; Gloucester, St. John's; Lee, St. George's; Milford, Trinity; Millbury, Mission; Millville, St. John's; Nantucket, St. Paul's; Natick, St. Paul's; North Attleborough, Grace; Otis, St. Paul's; Oxford, Grace; Peabody, St. Paul's Mission; Plymouth, Christ; Rochdale, Christ; Sheffield, Christ; Somerville, St. Thomas's; Van Deusenville, Trinity; Wakefield, Emmanuel; Westfield, Atonement; Wilkinsonville, St. John's; Woburn, Trinity; Wrentham, Trinity.

There have not been fewer clerical changes than usual during the year in the parishes and missions aided. St. Paul's Mission, Brockton, was vacant from July 1, 1878, when Rev. Dr. Carver resigned, until September 20, when Rev. James A. Sanderson assumed its charge in connection with Christ Church, Plymouth. St. Anne's, Chelmsford, became vacant in September, 1878, by the resignation of Rev. B. F. Cooley, who removed to Westfield, and assumed the rectorship of the "Parish of the Atonement" from and after September 15, 1878, the parish having been previously vacant subsequent to September 1, 1878, when Rev. B. W. Atwell resigned its temporary charge. The Mission of the Good Shepherd, Clinton, remained vacant from April 30, 1878, the date of resignation of Rev. J. W. Birchmore, until August 11, 1878, when Rev. Henry L. Foote assumed its charge. The mission has since (April 14, 1879) become an organized parish. St. John's, Framingham, became vacant February 1, 1879, by the resignation of Rev. Francis Chase. St. George's, Lee, became vacant May 1, 1878, by the resignation of Rev. W. R. Harris. He was succeeded June 16, 1878, by Rev. A. E. George. Trinity, Milford, became vacant April 15, 1879, by the resignation of Rev. Mr. Wheelock. St. John's, Millville, remained vacant from the date of Rev. J. D. McConkey's resignation, January 20, 1878, until July 1, 1878, when Rev. J. E. Heald assumed the rectorship. Grace, North Attleborough, became vacant December 15, 1878, by the death of the rector, Rev. F. A. Fiske. Rev. W. F. Lloyd resigned the rectorship of Grace, Oxford, February 1, 1879, and the parish remains vacant. Christ Church, Plymouth, has been regularly under the charge of Rev. Jas. A. Sanderson since July, 1878.

Services have been maintained without interruption in the Parish of the Messiah, Auburndale, since the retirement of Rev. F. W. Smith, November 1, 1877, and recently the work at this point has come regularly under the care of Rev. Thomas Cole, Rector of St. Margaret's, Brighton. The work at Peabody, Danvers, and Wakefield, is still under the charge of Rev. George Walker. Trinity, Van Dusenville, is supplied by the Rev. Daniel G. Anderson, Rector of St. James's, Great Barrington. Rev. J. S. Ellis, Rector of St. John's, Wilkesville, has charge of the mission at Millbury, and the very important and encouraging mission work at Fall River is being prosecuted by the Rev. W. T. Fitch, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Fall River.

At the last annual Convention the Parishes of the Diocese were called upon to make pledges of a definite sum for the support of the work of the Board during the year. Fifty-five Parishes responded with a pledge of a definite sum, the total amount thus pledged being \$2,367 00. The result, as regards these fifty-five Parishes, has been as follows: sixteen have contributed the exact sum pledged; twenty have exceeded the amount of their pledges; and twenty have contributed less than the sum pledged. The total amount of offerings received from these fifty-five Parishes is \$2,510.60, or \$143.60 more than the amount pledged.

Such, then, have been some of the encouraging features in the work of the Board the past year, such have been its receipts and such its disbursements. The further questions may be asked, what has been the nature of its work? and what has been accomplished? In answer to the first question, the Board has distributed the same committed to it among Parishes where, up to the present, at least, the services of our Church could not be maintained without such assistance, and among missionary stations where it has seemed wise and even imperative to have introduced the services of our Church. With regard to the Parishes, are there signs of progress, of growth towards a condition in which they will be independent of this aid, and self-sustaining? It may be confidently replied that there are the most hopeful indications, that some Parishes, one after another, will ere long become self-sustaining. Other Parishes present no such promise. Their situation forbids any hope of it. Yet it would be a most uncharitable spirit which would deny to them the small appropriations which enable their members to live and die in receipt of the ministrations which are dear to them and which are due them. In the newer stations it is a work of hope, but you may well believe that this hope is based upon what seem most fair foundations. In all these Parishes and stations, by the offerings which the Diocese contributes, it is possible to furnish the prayers and sacraments and offices of our Church to about two thousand communicants, to between four and five thousand persons, and to train eighteen hundred children, who are gathered in Sunday Schools, into future earnest and attached men and women of our Church.

What has been accomplished? A fair, though incomplete answer, is, the Board has accomplished just that which it was allowed to do by the Diocese. If no new places have been entered upon, if a more vigorous prosecution of our work in places which seem to justify it has been omitted, it is because the Diocese is not yet in the mind for such advance. The mind will come,—it is sure to come.

Year after year the number of contributors to the Board increases; the interest in the work is broadening out among the Parishes, as the receipts for the past year show.

The Board has accomplished, with what wisdom it could, the interests of the cause entrusted to it, using what means came into its hands to help on the work of rescuing, edifying, comforting, and saving immortal souls.

Whereas, There is reason to believe that the increase in the amount of offerings

and of the number of Parishes contributing, may be partly traced to the system of making pledges, introduced last year; therefore,

Resolved, That the Parishes, and all congregations where regular services of this Church are maintained, be now called upon, in alphabetical order, by the Secretary of the Convention, to state the amount which they may severally be expected to contribute to the Treasury of the Board the coming year.

The Report was, on motion, accepted, and the Resolution with which it concludes was adopted.

The ASSISTANT SECRETARY called over the names of the Parishes with the following result:—

Grace Church, Amherst, . . .	\$25 00	Trinity, Haverhill, . . .	\$30 00
Christ Church, Andover, . . .	25 00	Grace Church, Lawrence, . . .	50 00
Christ Church, Boston, . . .	50 00	St. John's, Lawrence, . . .	50 00
Advent Church, Boston, . . .	104 00	Our Saviour, Longwood, . . .	221 00
All Saints', Dorchester, Boston, . . .	20 00	St. John's, Lowell, . . .	40 00
Emmanuel, Boston, . . .	1,200 00	St. Stephen's, Lynn, . . .	30 00
Good Shepherd, Boston, . . .	40 00	St. Paul's, Malden, . . .	50 00
Messiah, Boston, . . .	100 00	St. Michael's, Marblehead, . . .	20 00
St. John's, Highlands, Boston, . . .	40 00	Trinity, Melrose, . . .	15 00
St. John's, Charlestown, . . .	50 00	Grace Church, New Bedford, . . .	70 00
St. John's, Jamaica Plain, Bos'n, . . .	50 00	Grace Church, Newton, . . .	50 00
St. John's, East Boston, . . .	20 00	Christ Church, Quincy, . . .	48 00
St. Mary's, Dorchester, Boston, . . .	25 00	St. Peter's, Salem, . . .	100 00
St. Paul's, Boston, . . .	500 00	Grace Church, Salem, . . .	50 00
Trinity, Boston, . . .	1,454 00	St. Thomas's, East Somerville, . . .	25 00
Chapel of Evangelists, Boston, . . .	10 00	Christ Church, Springfield, . . .	100 00
St. Paul's, Brookline, . . .	196 00	St. Paul's, Stockbridge, . . .	50 00
Christ Church, Cambridge, . . .	50 00	St. Thomas's, Taunton, . . .	200 00
St. James's, Cambridge, . . .	25 00	Trinity, Van Dusenville, . . .	35 00
St. Paul's, Dedham, . . .	100 00	Christ Church, Waltham, . . .	50 00
Ascension, Fall River, . . .	75 00	Messiah, Wood's Holl, . . .	70 00
Christ Church, Fitchburg, . . .	60 00	All Saints', Worcester, . . .	100 00
St. James's, Great Barrington, . . .	25 00	Trinity, Wrentham, . . .	15 00

The Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON, from Committee on Qualifications, reported that,—

A Certificate of Lay Delegates from St. John's Church, Gloucester, having been submitted and found in due form, its acceptance is recommended by the Committee.

For the Committee,

ALFRED E. JOHNSON, *Chairman*.

The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS, from the Eastern Convocation, presented the Annual Report of that body:—

The Eastern Convocation respectfully reports its work for the year:—

Meetings have been held in June, September, November and February, at St. Thomas's Church, East Somerville; St. Paul's Church, Newburyport; Grace Church, Newton, and Christ Church, Andover.

The attendance has been unusually large, and the proceedings of marked interest. Papers and essays of great value have been contributed.

A permanent exploration board was chosen in June, but not much additional work has been done since the last report was presented.

Eight towns have been visited, and thirty-one families registered. Not that there is any discouragement at the result of efforts,—far otherwise; but that the demand on the time of the parochial clergy is too great. The appointment and support in some way of an itinerant missionary seems the only effectual way to meet the demands which this outlying work makes upon us.

Many of our brethren are doing all in their power, but there are regions beyond their reach.

Such a missionary, going from house to house, would find a scattered cure, indeed, but large enough to occupy all his time, while the effect on the Church at large would be more beneficial. The Rectors of Parishes could then stand ready to co-operate in special services at points where congregations could be gathered by the missionary, and so the claims of the Church be presented, and the seed of the Word sown in ground waiting for the labor of the husbandman.

The service at the State Almshouse in Tewksbury is still held monthly, with generally large congregations, and a very cordial welcome and co-operation on the part of the officers of the institution.

WM. G. WELLS, *Secretary*.

LAWRENCE, May 10, 1879.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D., presented the Annual Report of the Central Convocation:—

The Central Convocation presents to the Convention the following report:—

The Convocation held its annual meeting in Fitchburg, at which the Rev. R. S. Howard, D.D., was re-elected Dean, the Rev. J. I. T. Coolidge, D.D., and Mr. James H. Howe were re-elected members of the Board of Missions, and Rev. J. D. Reid was elected Secretary. A meeting has since been held in Wilkinsonville. Those meetings of the clergy and the more prominent laymen of Worcester County are undoubtedly useful in promoting an interest in the missions of the Diocese.

J. D. REID, *Secretary*.

The Rev. REGINALD H. HOWE, from the Southern Convocation, presented the Annual Report of that organization:—

The Southern Convocation has substantially the same report to make as in previous years. Three meetings have been held, one in Grace Church, New Bedford, one in St. Thomas's Church, Taunton, and one in St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain. From nine to fourteen clergymen have been present, and, beside the more private exercises, public Missionary Services have been held in each place.

REGINALD H. HOWE, *Secretary*.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD, Treasurer of the Convention, presented his Annual Report,

Which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance.

THOMAS C. AMORY, from the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund, presented the Annual Report of that body.

BISHOP'S FUND.

The Committee on the Increase of the Bishop's Fund respectfully report that, in response to the appeal made by the Committee to the Parishes delinquent, \$420.70 has been received by the treasurer, which, with other income of the fund, will meet all obligations for the year. As much more from those parishes will be needed the next, to prevent deficiencies. They now owe \$3,200.

CHARLES O. WHITMORE.
THOMAS C. AMORY.
RUSSELL STURGIS, JR.
J. P. ELLICOTT.

The Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN, from the Episcopal Church Association, presented the following Report:—

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH ASSOCIATION.

Boston, May 14, 1879.

This Association has continued its work quietly and successfully during the year. The rooms at No. 5 Hamilton Place have been kept open, and frequented quite as much as in former years. Over one hundred and seventy-five meetings of Committees, Managers of Church Institutions, etc., have been held here this year.

The List of Officers is the same as by our last Report, except that the lamented death of Thomas J. Lee, Esq., has created a vacancy in the office of Treasurer. In Mr. Lee, we have lost a firm friend and excellent officer. His services as Chairman of the Committee on Hospitality to the last General Convention of the Church, were of great value. This vacancy has not yet been filled.

It ought not to be necessary to plead for the support of such an association as ours. Many of the other religious bodies of the Commonwealth maintain, without difficulty, ample headquarters in Boston. For none are such headquarters more needed than for the Church, and the rooms in Hamilton Place, although far from being all that our Diocesan Headquarters should be, are, beyond question, a convenience to the Diocesan Boards and Committees, and of service to the Reverend Clergy generally, both those of the city and those who reside at a distance. The closing of these Rooms may be considered a serious loss to the Diocese. And yet that closing seems now a probable event. At a late meeting, the Association voted, that, unless by the first day of July next, an increase of the number of members shall be obtained, sufficient to provide for the expenses of keeping up the Rooms, steps shall then be taken to dissolve the Association.

Respectfully submitted, for the Board of Directors, by
GEORGE DEXTER, *Clerk*.

On motion of Rev. Dr. COOLIDGE, —

The above Report was laid on the table, to be called up to-morrow.

The BISHOP announced the following Committee to Nominate for Vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions: —

The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS, The Rev. L. K. STORRS, The Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D., WILLIAM L. WAINWRIGHT, MARTIN L. BRADFORD.

EDWARD N. PERKINS, from the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society, presented the Annual Report of that body: —

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MARGARET COFFIN PRAYER BOOK SOCIETY.

The Society has continued its beneficent work during the past year without interruption, and with increased means of usefulness. It has printed 1,000 prayer books of its own edition, and purchased 1,000 of another edition. It has distributed 1,303 prayer books and 115 mission services, the larger part in this Diocese, and the balance in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Tennessee, North and South Carolina, Iowa, and China.

The receipts, including the balance from last year of \$178.55, have been \$672.55.

The expenditure for prayer books and insurance of stereotype plates has been	\$453.00
Transferred to permanent fund	190.36
Balance to new account	29.19
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	\$672.55

The permanent fund now amounts to \$5,500, which is safely invested in United States Government Bonds and mortgage of real estate, in accordance with the terms of the bequest of \$3,000 by the late T. M. Coffin, Esq. The income of the Society is derived from this fund and the annual subscriptions of members, whose number should be increased at least to one hundred.

The Annual Service was held at the Church of the Messiah, on Sunday, the 24th November last, when the sermon was preached by the Rev. H. F. Allen, Rector of the Parish. The Offertory amounted to \$57.

The Society has lost its two oldest and most venerated members,— the Rev. E. M. P. Wells, D.D., its first President for twenty years, who died on Advent Sunday last; and Peter Wainwright, Esq., its first Treasurer, who died July 2, 1878. They were elected to their respective offices at the first election of the Society, held in this city, August 11, 1856. They have left a precious legacy in the example of their Christian lives and deaths.

The Society owes them a tribute of gratitude for long and patient service, and will remain, by God's blessing, one of their memorials to future generations forever.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD N. PERKINS, *Clerk.*

Boston, April 16, 1879.

The Rev. Dr. BURROUGHS presented the Annual Report of the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen: —

REPORT OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

The Annuity Fund of this Society now amounts to \$51,564.74, having increased during the past year by the addition of \$2,019.40 from the income. The payments from this Fund have amounted to \$375. One contributor, the Rev. William Putnam Page, has died. Two clergymen who have left the Diocese, the Rev. William R. Babcock, and the Rev. T. G. Carver, D.D., have surrendered their books and received payment in full. One new member has joined the Society, and has become an annual contributor, the Rev. Theodosius Stevens Tyng. The principal of this Fund cannot

be impaired, and so much of the income as is not required for the payment of annuities, is added to the principal. And if at any time the income should not be sufficient for the annuities, the deficiency is to be supplied from the Charity Fund.

The amount of the Charity Fund is now \$24,730. Aid has been given to the families of ten clergymen deceased — the amount thus distributed amounting to \$1,560. A much larger sum is needed to meet the demands made upon us, and we beg leave to renew the recommendation made last year, that every Parish in the Diocese should make an offering to this excellent charity, and that the laity avail themselves of the privilege of becoming members of the Society.

The Treasurer's Report is herewith submitted.

HENRY BURROUGHS, *Secretary.*

Boston, May 14, 1879.

The Rev. Dr. CLINCH presented the Annual Report of the Episcopal Clerical Fund : —

REPORT OF THE CLERICAL FUND.

In presenting its annual report to the Convention, the Episcopal Clerical Fund (now in the thirty-third year of its existence) has little else to state than that it still lives, and that it is still endeavoring to carry out the benevolent purpose for which it was organized, with the niggardly and insufficient means which the Church puts into its hands..

The receipts for the past year have been	\$1,619.19
The disbursements for the past year have been	1,250.00
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Balance on hand	\$369.19

It is important, however, to state that of the \$1,619 above mentioned, over \$1,000 are from individual donations, bequests, and interest on investments. Only eighteen Parishes, about one-sixth of the whole Diocese, have contributed anything.

The number of beneficiaries remains the same as last reported, one having died and one having been added to the list.

The Hon. Robert M. Mason, who has held the office of a Director of the Society since 1869, has been removed from us by death. In common with the whole Church in this Diocese, we lament his departure. His name will long be honored and held in grateful remembrance by his consecration to God of large donations to charitable and religious purposes during his life, and by his will, to be made available at his death.

We are still obliged sorrowfully to record the unaccountable apathy of the Church in this Diocese (with a few brilliant exceptions), to the urgent needs of our Society. There are many clergymen among us whose day of labor and usefulness is drawing to a close, and some of them undoubtedly will soon need our aid, and call upon us for assistance : — must they call in vain ?

We close with repeating the last words of our Report for 1878 : " We wait and hope that the Church will yet awake to a sense of her obligations and responsibilities in this matter."

JOSEPH H. CLINCH, *Secretary.*

CAUSTEN BROWNE presented the Annual Report of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents : —

REPORT OF ST. LUKE'S HOME FOR CONVALESCENTS.

During the past diocesan year St. Luke's Home for Convalescents has done more than hold its own ; that is to say, it has not only kept up its good work, but it has reduced its mortgage debt by nearly six thousand dollars.

We recognize on all hands a very kind disposition towards us in the community at large, but particularly a general confidence and sympathy on the part of Churchmen, which gives us great comfort and courage.

Thankful for help from many benevolent hands, we are especially thankful to find *those of our own people cordially stretched out to help and cheer our work.

Of this the recent accession of the Rectors of Trinity and Emmanuel, Boston, to our list of Trustees, furnishes a most gratifying example.

We call attention to the fact that a movement is on foot for the establishment of another Home for Convalescents in connection with the Massachusetts General Hospital, a movement which deserves the Godspeed of benevolent people, and which is gratifying to us as a following of the example set years before by ourselves. The promoters of the new movement disclaim rivalry with St. Luke's, and we do not impute any; but, nevertheless, the effect can hardly fail to be in the end that that great institution, of which our citizens are justly proud, will draw to the support of its new undertaking much money which might otherwise have found its way to St. Luke's Home; particularly from those who do not recognize the importance of combining the religious culture or solace of the sick with the relief of their bodily needs. Those who hold that houses of mercy should be also houses of prayer, may well have their sympathy especially turned to St. Luke's Home; and thus what seems at first to threaten its prosperity may prove but the occasion of its beginning a career of peculiar happiness, loveliness, and beneficence.

"Especially," then, "to them that are of the household of faith," does St. Luke's now make its appeal; and it does so with the confidence which comes of the knowledge that its cause is excellent, and the reasonable belief that its past record is good.

We trust and believe that when we come to our friends next St. Luke's Day, and ask for the means of carrying on our work another year, we shall have a cordial and generous reception.

We will not detain the Convention by making special mention of the living who, in the last year, as in previous years, have wisely and faithfully watched over the bodily and spiritual health of our patients, or who have in various other ways helped and cheered our work. But we are unwilling to close this report without a word of affectionate respect for the memory of our dead.

Since the last Convention one of our most esteemed Lady Associates, Miss Caroline Colby, has been taken from us. And within the past few days the brotherhood of our Trustees has been bereaved by the death of Mr. Thomas J. Lee, in the prime of his rare capacity, and at the full tide of his ardent zeal for whatever good work the Church had for him to do.

They have left us their examples. It will be well if we follow them worthily.

CAUSTEN BROWNE, *Secretary*.

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, Chaplain of St. Luke's Home, presented his Report:—

REPORT OF ST. LUKE'S HOME.

The Chaplain's Report dates from May 22, 1878, to May 14, 1879, and is, in its general features, like that of last year.

Public services have been held as follows: Evening Prayer, with Sermon or Address, on Sundays, at half-past 3; Litany Service on Wednesday, at 4 o'clock, including a Lesson, Hymn, and sometimes an Address; Holy Communion on the first Tuesday of each month, at 10 o'clock. The Matron (Mrs. Wills) has read a form of household prayer daily, and greatly aided in conducting the music for the

public services. Mr. P. C. Webber has efficiently assisted the Chaplain in Sunday worship. Weekly visits to the wards, with brief services; words of counsel in private; preparations for confirmation; visits to the hospitals, homes, places of labor, and elsewhere, have one and all formed the larger part of the Chaplain's labor.

The Bishop made his Annual Visitation on December 20, 1878; also, Special Visitations on May 27, 1878, and on March 3, 1879. Fourteen persons have been confirmed during the past convention year. Some twenty have been prepared for the rite; and it must be that the seeds of a good life have been planted in the hearts of many others besides. There have been but six infant and two adult baptisms; most of the infants brought to the institution being of Roman Catholic parentage, and the adults being, as a rule, previously baptized.

A commodious chapel-room serves admirably for the public services; but kneeling-stools and other furniture are greatly needed in our services, at a Home designed to give "rest" to the bodies and souls of those that labor and are heavy-laden.

WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, *Chaplain*.

Boston, May 14, 1879.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN presented the Annual Report of the Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions:—

The Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions report as follows:—

During the year meetings have been held monthly, with the exception of June, July, and August, with an average representation of twenty-four Parishes.

The Church Rooms, where these meetings are held, have always been well filled, and on two occasions have been found too small to seat all who were present.

Five Parishes have been added to our list within the year, making eighty-five now co-operating with us.

The work in the different departments has been steadily increasing; for, as the Clergy recognize that the Auxiliary is desirous only of supplementing the work which they, as faithful Rectors of Parishes, have already organized, they gladly avail themselves of this as a channel of work for the missionary zeal of the women of their Parishes. The Society have unusual facilities for diffusing missionary intelligence, owing to the constant correspondence by their committees with the missionaries at the Foreign and Home Stations.

During the year two public meetings have been held at St. Paul's Church, Boston, one under the auspices of the Dakota League, and one under that of the Foreign Missionary Department. Besides these, the Foreign Division wisely secured for a season the services of the Rev. Mr. Fair and wife, of Africa, and the Rev. Mr. Boone and wife, and Miss Nelson, of China. They arranged with the Clergy in many Parishes public meetings, and the story of the work of these missionaries, wherever told, has largely increased the interest for the extension of Christ's kingdom.

For details of work accomplished see the Annual Report published in October last.

A summary of the work for the first six months of our organization shows a cash contribution of \$4,549.70 for all departments, and an approximate value of boxes sent into the whole field of \$6,017.87, making a total sum of \$10,567.57.

Respectfully submitted,

JANE L. UNDERWOOD, *Secretary*.

NEWTON, May 13, 1879.

The Rev. HENRY A. METCALF, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, reported as follows : —

As far as I have been enabled to discover by a perusal of the last Convention Report, there seems to be no unfinished business upon which to take action.

HENRY A. METCALF.

Resolved, That this Convention now adjourn.

Adjourned.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, THURSDAY, 9 O'CLOCK, A.M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer to the Lessons was read by the Rev. J. STURGES PEARCE ; the Lessons and *Te Deum* by the Rev. EMELIUS W. SMITH ; and the remainder of the Service by the Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON. The 202d Hymn was sung, and the BISHOP concluded with Collects and Benediction.

The BISHOP called the Convention to order.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Roll of the Clergy and Lay Delegates was then called by the SECRETARY. Many not present yesterday answered to their names.

The Rev. B. F. COOLEY presented the Annual Report of the Western Convocation : —

The Western Convocation of Massachusetts respectfully reports to the Convention : —

Two meetings have been held the past year, — the first at St. John's, Northampton, where the Convocation was reorganized, and the second at Westfield and Granville. Within a radius of ten miles from the place of last meeting, in two towns there are defunct Parishes, in one of which the church-building still stands ; in another, a considerable fund is accumulating ; while a third is without a Rector, and its pretty church is so much injured by fire and neglect as to present a sad reproach to the cause of Christ in this thriving town. Granville offers a new and tasteful place of worship, free of expense, for church-services ; and yet the Convocation has no means or ability to look after these fields. The valley of the Housatonic, more populous with churches than that of the Connecticut, is in the extreme west of the State ; so that the Clergy find it no inexpensive journey to attend meetings in the eastern boundary of the Convocation, and the Clergy of the east find their duty to the west equally burdensome. Our need of a Diocese in the western part of the State is keenly felt, its wants clearly understood, and longings for its creation are stirring many hearts who pray for the prosperity of Zion.

The needs of this part of Massachusetts were, at the last meeting, pressed home to our hearts, and more help from the Diocesan Board of Missions was craved, and resolutions to that effect were passed.

B. F. COOLEY, *Secretary*.

MAY 10, 1879.

The Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLET, Registrar of the Diocese, presented his Annual Report : —

REPORT OF THE CHURCH REGISTRAR.

The Registrar would report the receipt in this department, during the past Conventional year, of the following : —

A bundle of papers from the Standing Committee of this Diocese from May, A. D. 1877, to May, A. D. 1878, from the Rev. Secretary of that Committee; also, the Journal of the 88th Convention of this Diocese from the Rev. Secretary thereof; and from the Secretaries or Registrars of their respective Dioceses, a Journal of Albany for A. D. 1879, and for A. D. 1878, Journals of Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Long Island, Maine, Mississippi, New Jersey, Northern New Jersey, Pittsburgh, Tennessee, Vermont, and Western New York; for all of which, copies of Journal of this Diocese have been sent in return.

The Rev. Malcolm Douglass, D. D., of Andover, has contributed a "Sermon before the Convention of the Eastern Diocese, Sept. 28, 1831, by the Rev. John West," and also "A Narrative of Events connected with the Acceptance and Resignation of St. Paul's Church, Boston [Mass.], by the Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, Nov. 11 [A. D.], 1825."

From the Rev. William R. Huntington, D. D., of Worcester, has been received a sermon preached by him before the "Bishop White Prayer-Book Society, Nov. 24, A. D. 1878."

A printed "Letter to Bishop Niles, of New Hampshire, by the Rev. Harrison Hall, M. A.," has been sent by the writer.

MS. papers relating to King's Chapel, Boston, collected and drawn up by the late Henry M. Parker, have come through Francis J. Parker, of this city.

Capt. James S. Johnson, of Mississippi, has sent, through the hands of the Rev. Melville W. Moore, of that Diocese, the Journal of the General Convention for A. D. 1841; also, the Journal of the same body for A. D. 1856.

From the preacher have been received three sermons, delivered in Christ Church, Cambridge, A. D. 1876 and 1878, by the Rev. William Chauncy Langdon, D. D.

From Bishop Alexander Burgess, D. D., has been forwarded Order of Service at his Consecration as Bishop of Quincy.

"The Catholic Movement in Boston," by the Rev. James A. Bolles, D. D., has been given by the author.

Over twenty years since, a chest of considerable size, containing valuable papers belonging to this department, was deposited in a fire-proof safe in Washington Street, in this city. When the last tenant changed his place of business, it became necessary to find another suitable depository. The offer of John S. Blatchford for this purpose was gladly accepted, and the removal was effected. The Diocese is surely under great obligations to Mr. John J. Stevens, now at No. 50 Winter Street, for allowing this chest to remain, as it did, for some sixteen years in his safe, especially as, during this long time, he must have needed the room which was taken up by this encumbrance; and the obligation is increased from the fact that the gentleman named is not a Churchman.

The books and papers of this department yet remain in four distinct places. The risk of loss is proportionately enhanced, and the increase of the collection is, in some degree, hindered. Surely, the time must come when this Diocese will have a fire-proof depository of its own, where the collections in this department can be gathered together. Some of the papers and books cannot be replaced, and, therefore, insurance against fire would be but an inadequate protection.

WM. S. BARTLET, *Church Registrar.*

EDWARD N. PERKINS presented the Annual Report of the Boston Episcopal Charitable Society : —

BOSTON EPISCOPAL CHARITABLE SOCIETY. FOUNDED A.D. 1724.

Although there is nothing of much importance to communicate, yet the courtesy of the Convention, in receiving former Reports, encourages the Society to bring its work again into notice, in the hope that the publicity given to it here and in the Journal may put it into the minds of some persons to benefit its treasury by gift or bequest. The fund, amounting to \$62,000, cannot produce an income sufficient for the enlargement of its charities. The amount granted to fifty-four beneficiaries, during the year, has been \$3,380. All new applications have been necessarily refused; and had it not been for the gift of \$154 from life members, and the offertory of \$347.50 at Trinity Church, on the 29th of December, when the Rector kindly preached a sermon in behalf of the Society, it would have been necessary to reduce the present grants. It is plain that Bishop Clark did not exaggerate when he said "that the Society should have a fund of at least \$100,000, in order to meet the wants of those who look to it naturally for aid."

The Society has lost four of its best-known and most-respected members; viz., Peter Wainwright, Esq.; the Rev. E. M. P. Wells, D.D.; Robert M. Mason, Esq.; and Dr. Ainsworth, whose places in the memory of those who had the privilege of their friendship can never be filled.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD N. PERKINS, *Secretary*.

Boston, May 14, 1879.

The Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S.T.D., presented the Annual Report of the Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children : —

REPORT

OF THE CHURCH HOME FOR ORPHAN AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN.

There is little to report concerning the Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, but that we still have our full number of one hundred children, twenty ~~of~~ ^{of} having been received to fill vacancies as they occurred. We always have many applicants waiting. Nine have been baptized by Rev. Mr. Wright, and one has been confirmed in St. Paul's since leaving the Home.

While gratefully acknowledging the bequest of the late Hon. Robert M. Mason, ~~we~~ ^{we} miss, even more than most of the Church Institutions in this Diocese, the wise counsel, ready sympathy, and earnest, heartfelt interest which were always at the service of this, his brother's *monumentum are perennius*. May its other friends likewise remember it in life as well as in death!

S. A. C. BOND, *Secretary*.

The Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON, from the Executive Committee, presented the following Report : —

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

With regard to the place of holding the next annual meeting of Convention, the Committee, while they recognize the hospitality of the Rector and Parish of St. Paul's, Boston, the central location of the church, and its suitableness for the opening services, cannot fail to consider the fact of the great difficulty of hearing and making one's self heard when the present church is used for the business and debates of Convention.

They recommend that the next annual meeting of this Convention be held on the fifth Wednesday after Easter, 1880; the opening services in Trinity Church, Boston, and the business sessions in the Chapel of Trinity Church.

The Committee would nominate, as the preacher at the next meeting of Convention, the Rev. Reginald Heber Howe, and, as substitute, the Rev. Leander C. Manchester.

For the Committee.

GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON.

On motion of Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN, —

Resolved, That the Report be divided.

Resolved, That the first portion of the Report be adopted.

Resolved, That the second portion of the Report be adopted.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HARRIS, from the Committee on Finance, made the following Report: —

The Committee on Finance beg leave to report that they have examined the Report of the Treasurer of the Convention for the past year, 1878-79, and they find the account correctly cast and properly vouched.

The balance remaining in the Treasurer's hands is found to be \$513.88. No recommendation from the Committee seems to be called for.

W. R. HARRIS.

On motion of the Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, —

Resolved, As the sense of this Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts, now assembled, that it is the duty of all clerical members and lay delegates, who attend its sessions, to pay earnest heed to the second clause of Rule I. of the "Rules of Order," which reads as follows: "No member shall absent himself from the Convention unless he have leave or be unable to attend."

The Report from the Episcopal Church Association, which was yesterday laid upon the table for further action, was called up.

Resolved, That the consideration of this Report be made the order of the day immediately after the close of the polls for the first election.

THOMAS C. AMORY, from the Board of Trustees of Donations, presented the Annual Report of that body.

THE ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE TRUSTEES OF DONATIONS TO THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

To the Eighty-ninth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Diocese of Massachusetts, held at Boston, May 14, 1879: —

The amount of the Bishop's Fund, May 22, 1878, the date of the last Report, was

\$89,019.47

Amount added to the Fund since that date,

646.74

Present amount of the Fund,

\$89,666.21

The Bishop's salary has been paid in full.

Most respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM P. BLAKE, *Treasurer*.

Boston, May 14, 1879.

Resolved, That in the election of Treasurer, balloting be dispensed with.

Resolved, That the Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROLD be re-elected.

Resolved, That in the election of Registrar of the Diocese, balloting be dispensed with.

Resolved, That the Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLET be re-elected.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of Deputies to the General Convention to fill vacancies in the substitutes caused by the removal from the Diocese of the Rev. FRANCIS WHARTON, D. D., LL. D., and the death of the Hon. ROBERT M. MASON.

The Rev. J. A. JEROME nominated the Rev. THOMAS F. FALES and ROBERT TREAT PAINE, Jr.

CAUSTEN BROWNE nominated FRANCIS J. PARKER.

The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D. D., nominated the Rev. WILLIAM H. BROOKS, D. D.

E. H. BENNETT nominated the Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN.

The Rev. W. C. WINSLOW nominated the Rev. JOHN WRIGHT.

The Rev. EDWARD J. L. DROWN nominated the Rev. G. Z. GRAY, D. D.

The CHAIR appointed as Tellers for the clerical vote, the Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, the Rev. EMELIUS W. SMITH, and the Rev. D'ESTAING JENNINGS; and as Tellers of the lay vote, CLEMENT H. HILL, LUKE H. WHITNEY, and FITCH E. OLIVER, M. D.

The SECRETARY called the roll of the Clergy, and the ASSISTANT SECRETARY, the roll of the Parishes.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN offered the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That in view of the convenience of having in the city of Boston a room where certain parts of the business of the Diocese may be attended to, and where meetings of various organizations and societies of the Church may be held, this Convention endorses the appeal of the Episcopal Church Association for the funds needed to maintain such room.

Resolved, That in view of the fact that it is incumbent upon the Convention to provide some place for the meetings of its Standing Committee, its Board of Missions and other Committees appointed by its authority, this Convention hereby directs its Treasurer to pay to the Treasurer of the Episcopal Church Association the sum of \$400 towards the rent of such a room for the current year.

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed by the President to consider and report to the next Convention, whether or not it is possible to secure, by purchase or erection, some suitable house to be used for the purposes of the Church in the Diocese, for meetings of Convention and Societies, &c.

Which were adopted.

The CHAIR appointed the following persons to form a Committee on the Episcopal Church Rooms:—

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN.
 " " G. ZABRISKIE GRAY, D. D.

ENOCH R. MUDGE.
 ROBERT TREAT PAINE, Jr.
 EDWARD L. DAVIS.

ENOCH R. MUDGE, from the Committee on Hospitality, reported that they were not aware of any clerical member of the Convention who had not been provided for.

CAUSTEN BROWNE moved,—

That the question respecting the place of holding the next Convention be reconsidered.

The motion was lost.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D., from the Church Building Fund, made the following Report:—

"MASSACHUSETTS CHURCH BUILDING FUND."

The Trustees of the Massachusetts Church Building Fund have to report that the principal of the Fund has received no additions during the year. It remains the same as reported to the last Convention; namely, \$1,017.55.

Boston, May 14, 1879.

HENRY BURROUGHS.
 JNO. S. BLATCHFORD.

The Rev. WM. R. HUNTINGTON, D. D., offered the following Resolutions:—

Resolved, That this Convention has learned with sincere regret of the disability which forbids the attendance upon its sessions of the Rev. Dr. Edson, the venerable Rector of St. Anne's Church, Lowell, and senior Presbyter of the Diocese, and that the members of the Convention tender to their reverend associate the assurance of their sympathy, and of their desire for his speedy recovery.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Convention be requested to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Rev. Dr. Edson at his earliest convenience.

Which, on motion, were adopted.

The Rev. EMELIUS W. SMITH, from the Clerical Tellers, of the vote for Substitute Deputies to the General Convention, reported that the Clergy had made no choice.

CLEMENT H. HILL, from the Tellers of the Lay Vote, reported that the Laity had elected the Rev. THOMAS F. FALES and FRANCIS J. PARKER.

Resolved, That the ballot be dispensed with, and that the two clergymen who have the highest number of votes, of both Clergy and Laity, be declared elected.

The vote being taken, the Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, the Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN, and FRANCIS J. PARKER, were elected.

The Convention then proceeded to elect a Standing Committee.

The CHAIR appointed as Tellers of the Clerical Vote, the Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON, the Rev. ANDREW GRAY, and the Rev. ARTHUR C. A. HALL.

And as Tellers of the Lay Vote, EDWIN F. WATERS, CHARLES A. REED, and WILLIAM F. JOHNSON.

The following nominations were made :—

The Rev. J. A. JEROME	nominated	ROBT. TREAT PAINE, Jr.
" " C. C. GRAFTON	"	GEO. C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" " B. B. KILLIKELLY	"	CHARLES H. PARKER.
" " A. MACKAY-SMITH	"	EDWARD L. DAVIS.
" " W. C. WINSLOW	"	REV. JOHN WIGHT.
" " ANDREW GRAY	"	ENOCH R. MUDGE.
EDWARD N. PERKINS	"	REV. HENRY F. ALLEN.
CHARLES A. REED	"	WILLIAM S. GARDNER.

The SECRETARY called the roll of the Clergy, and the ASSISTANT SECRETARY called the roll of the Parishes.

The CHAIR appointed the following Committee on Christian Education :—

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN.	J. GARDNER WHITE.
" " CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.	JAMES H. HOWE.
" " GEORGE W. DURELL.	

Resolved, That in the election of a Committee on Hospitality, balloting be dispensed with.

Resolved, That the former Committee be re-elected, and the name of ROBERT TREAT PAINE, Jr., be substituted for that of THOMAS J. LEE, deceased.

The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, from the Committee on Printing, made the following Report :—

Boston, May 15, 1879.

The Committee on Printing respectfully report, that after the close of the Convention of last year, they met, and on consideration of the bids offered, gave the printing of the Journal, Canons, and the smaller items of printing, as far as practicable, to the lowest bidder.

The printing of the Journal was done at much lower rates than the year before, being reduced to \$1.90 per page.

The Canons, by request of Joseph Story Fay, were stereotyped.

For the Committee,

JOSEPH JENKS, *Chairman*.

On motion of IRA CLEVELAND,—

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing be re-elected.

On motion of the Rev. WM. H. BROOKS, D. D.,—

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this Convention be given to the Churchmen of Boston for their hospitality, and to the Committee on Hospitality, for the thoughtful and generous provision made by them for the entertainment and comfort of the Clergy of the Diocese.

The Rev. WM. R. HUNTINGTON, D. D., from the Committee on Constitution and Canons, made the following Report :—

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to whom were referred the papers from St. John's Church, Boston Highlands, asking of the Convention an approval of certain proposed alterations in its Parochial Constitution, beg leave respectfully to report as follows :—

The request submitted grows out of the fact that the Constitution of St. John's Church requires that the assent of the Convention must have been given to any proposed change before such change can become law.

The changes for which, in this instance, sanction is asked, are two in number. **First.** A change in the Third Article of the Constitution, prescribing terms of membership; and, secondly, a change in the first clause of Article IV., touching the mode of electing the Rector of the Parish.

The proposed change in the terms of membership is as follows :—

The Constitution, as it now stands, requires of a candidate for membership (a), that he be a male person who has attained the age of twenty-one years; (b) that he shall have aided in maintaining public worship in the Parish for a period of twelve months preceding any Parish meeting, either by regular attendance thereon, or by pecuniary aid.

It is now proposed to alter this by striking out the condition of pecuniary aid, and by inserting the requirement that the candidate be a baptized person.

Your Committee see no objection to approving this change, in so far as the removal of the pecuniary restriction is concerned; but they *do* consider the practical difficulties in the way of enforcing the restriction which it is proposed to substitute, too great to allow of their recommending the Convention to sanction it. Logically considered, the proposed change is, no doubt, unimpeachable. The objections are practical ones, and may be briefly stated thus :—

The question as to whether a given person has, or has not, been validly baptized, is one which may very properly arise in connection with admission to sacramental privileges, and it is one which, in such a case, would naturally be decided by the Rector in his official capacity as an ordained minister of the Church; but it would be a very different matter to have such a question thrown into an excited Parish meeting for general discussion, and for decision, upon appeal, by a majority vote. Again: grievous scandal might ensue in case a clergyman should ever so far forget the sacredness of his functions as to receive persons into the Church, by holy baptism, with a view to qualifying them for Parish membership. It is painful to contemplate the possibility of such an occurrence, but similar things have happened in the past, and might conceivably take place in the future.

In the light of these possible dangers, and in consideration of the fact that such a provision in a Parish Constitution as is proposed would constitute a precedent, certainly most important, and, probably, wholly without example in the history of this Diocese, your Committee, after conferring with the Rector of St. John's, have unanimously agreed to recommend that the proposed alteration in Article III. be referred back to the Parish of St. John's for further consideration.

In doing this, your Committee disclaim with emphasis any wish to bind Parishes to the letter of the form of Parochial Constitution and By-Laws, printed in the Appendix to the Convention Journal. They have judged of the proposed alteration solely upon its own merits, and without prejudice to the right of Parishes in constructing their organic law to depart from the normal type suggested, provided always they enact nothing contrary to the Constitution of the Diocese.

To the omission of the pecuniary condition of membership, your Committee see no serious objection; but the clause having been submitted as a whole, it becomes necessary for the Parish to act afresh before the Convention can ratify their decision.

The second of the two changes desired, is as follows:—

The first clause of Article IV. of the Constitution, at present reads as follows: "The Rector of the Parish shall be elected by a majority of the Vestry, present at any regular meeting."

It is proposed to amend Article IV. by striking out this clause, and by inserting as follows:—

"The Rector of the Parish shall be elected by a majority of the votes of the members of the Vestry, present at a special meeting, called for the purpose, voting by written ballot. And a written or printed notice of such meeting, with the business to be transacted, shall be mailed by the Clerk to each member of the Vestry at least two weeks before the time appointed for said meeting."

To this change, which looks in the direction of a more guarded and deliberate procedure in the important matter of the choice of a Rector, there is, in the judgment of your Committee, no objection.

Your Committee, therefore, propose the adoption of the following Resolutions:—

Resolved, That the proposed change in the Third Article of the Constitution of St. John's Church, Boston Highlands, be referred back to that Parish for further consideration.

Resolved, That the proposed change in the first clause of the Fourth Article of the Constitution of said Parish be approved by the Convention.

For the Committee,

W. R. HUNTINGTON.

The Report was accepted, and the appended Resolutions were adopted.

The Rev. WM. G. WELLS, from the Committee to nominate persons to fill vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions, made the following Report:—

The Committee to nominate persons to fill vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions would respectfully report, as follows:—

To serve four years —

Clerical.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.

The Rev. W. R. HUNTINGTON, D. D.

Lay.

R. T. PAINE, JR.

G. C. SHATTUCK, M. D.

W. G. WELLS, *Chairman*.

Resolved, That in the election of persons to fill vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions, balloting be dispensed with.

Resolved, That the persons recommended by the Committee of Nominations be re-elected.

The CHAIR appointed the following Committee to nominate Trustees to the General Theological Seminary :—

The Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL.

The Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN.

CAUSTEN BROWNE.

On motion of the Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D.,—

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be given to the officers of St. Paul's Church for the use of their edifice.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the Journal of the Convention be printed under the direction of the Committee on Printing.

The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS moved that 5,000 copies of the BISHOP'S Address be printed, and distributed through the Diocese in proportion to the number of communicants.

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW moved an amendment that the number of copies of the BISHOP'S Address be left discretionary with the Committee on Printing.

DANIEL B. HAGAR moved an amendment to the amendment of the Rev. W. C. WINSLOW to add the words, "Provided the number be not less than 5,000."

This amendment to the amendment was lost.

The resolution of the Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, with the amendment of the Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN, —

Resolved, That the Clergy of the Diocese be requested to read to their congregations, on some occasion of public worship, the BISHOP'S Address to this Convention.

On motion of the Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, —

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing be directed to print the Constitution and Canons with the Journal.

The Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL, from the Committee to nominate Trustees to the General Theological Seminary, reported that there are no vacancies to be filled.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD, —

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be returned to the members of the choir of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Boston, for their kindness in furnishing the music at the opening service of the Convention.

EDWIN F. WATERS, from the Tellers of the lay vote for Standing

Committee, reported that the laity had made choice of the following:—

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D.
 “ “ THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.
 “ “ PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.
 “ “ GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

ENOCH R. MUDGE.
 WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
 JOSEPH STORY FAY.
 CAUSTEN BROWNE.

The Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON, from the Tellers of the clerical vote, reported that the clergy had made choice of the following:—

The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.
 “ “ HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D.
 “ “ GEORGE S. CONVERSE.
 “ “ PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.

ENOCH R. MUDGE.
 JOSEPH STORY FAY.
 CAUSTEN BROWNE.

The whole number, with the exception of one lay member, is, therefore, elected in concurrence.

Resolved, That the rule of order be dispensed with in the filling of the vacancy in the Standing Committee, and that WILLIAM S. GARDNER be elected.

The Convention then, by a concurrent vote, elected WILLIAM S. GARDNER as a lay member of the Standing Committee.

On motion of the Rev. WILLIAM H. BROOKS, D.D., —

Resolved, That after the reading of the Minutes and action thereon, and the customary devotions, the Convention adjourn.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Convention then united in singing, “Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,” and, after prayer and benediction by the Bishop, —

The Convention adjourned *sine die*.

Attest:

BENJ. H. PADDOCK,
Bishop of Massachusetts,
President of the Convention.
 JOSEPH H. CLINCH,
Secretary.
 W. HENRY BROOKS,
Assistant Secretary.

APPENDIX A.

EXTRACT

FROM THE

Canon of the General Convention of 1853.

*Of the mode of securing an accurate view of the state of the Church,
from time to time.*

SECTION 1.—As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every minister of this Church, or, if the Parish be vacant, the wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his Parish or Church; also, the state and condition of the Sunday schools in his Parish; also, of the amount of the communion alms, the contributions for missions (diocesan, domestic, and foreign), for parochial schools, for Church purposes in general, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every other clergyman not regularly settled in any Parish or Church shall also report the occasional services he may have performed, and, if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in the Convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

I.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, AMESBURY.

The Rev. SAMUEL M. EMERY, D.D., *Officiating Clergyman.*

PETER CLARK and JOSEPH PITCHFORTH, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 2; total, 6. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; died, 1; present number, 55. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 40. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Par-

sonage Fund, \$3,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$18. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$153.13. Total, \$173.13.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$4.

Total of contributions, \$177.15.

GRACE CHURCH, AMHERST.

The Rev. FREDERICK BURGESS, *Rector*.

HORACE WARD and O. G. COUCH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 5; total, 9. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Present number, 80. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 60.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$371.19; subscriptions, \$396; investments, \$26; other sources, \$506.77; total, \$1,898.96. Increase and improvement of church property: paid on rectory debt, \$300. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,198.96.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$17.45. Total for objects without the parish, \$17.45.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, first payment, \$12.66; second payment, \$16.45; total for Diocesan missions, \$30.05. Domestic missions, \$5.85; Indian missions, \$8.75; home missions to colored people, \$5.90. Foreign, \$6.40. Total for missionary contributions, \$56.95.

Total of contributions, \$2,273.36.

REMARKS.

The value of the church property, the number of the sittings, &c., are the same as last year.

CHRIST CHURCH, ANDOVER.

The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D., *Rector*.

HENRY G. TYER and WILLIAM WHITMAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 6; total added, 9; died, 4; removed, 7; total lost, 11; present number, 111. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 69. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$2,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$62.36. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$290.03; collections in church (Easter), \$535.89; pew-rents, \$52; subscriptions, \$708.55; investments, \$470; other sources, \$62.67; total, \$2,119.19. Other parochial objects; viz., new horse-sheds, \$250. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,431.55.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$12; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston (Sunday school offerings), \$5; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston (Sunday school offerings), \$5; Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$5. For other objects without the parish, viz.:—Convocation, \$1.40; yellow-fever sufferers in South-West, \$68; box for Dacotah League, \$20; Box for Orphan Asylum, Cape Palmas (Rev. Mr. Fair), \$50; Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$6; Young Christian Soldier (Sunday school offering), \$10.88; Mrs. Bishop Payne,

\$15; Sunday school offering to Dry Grove Mission (Mississippi), \$5; Salt Lake City Mission (Sunday school offering), \$5; Sunday school offering for Mission in South Carolina, \$5; total, \$186.28. Total for objects without the parish, \$213.28.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$36. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$15.87; Sunday school offering to White Earth Reservation, \$5; Mission to Jews in New York, \$2; total, \$22.87. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$13; Sunday school Lenten offering to General Foreign Missions, \$12; the Bishop's College in China, \$1; Sunday school offerings to the Bishop's College in China, \$5; Sunday school offerings to Mexican missions, \$5; total, \$36; total for missionary contributions, \$94.87.

Total of contributions, \$2,739.70.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ARLINGTON.

The Rev. D. G. HASKINS, S. T. D., *Rector*.

ALBERT GRIFFITHS and WILLIAM WILSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 1; total, 5. Confirmed, 4. Communicants, 51. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 2.

Current expenses, about \$1,200. Received from Board of Missions, \$200; weekly offerings, about \$100; special donations, about \$600.

REMARKS.

The prospects of the parish have improved during the last few months.

The papers of application of St. John's Church for admission to the Convention, were presented to the Standing Committee, approved and signed by the Bishop, two years ago, but the Secretary reports that they are not now on its files, and suggests that they may have accidentally been passed over to the Registrar of the Diocese. Their disappearance was discovered too late to allow the admission of the parish into union with the Convention the present year.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ASHFIELD.

The Rev. LEWIS GREEN, *Rector*.

MOSES COOK and ADDISON G. HALL, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Received, 4; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 30. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 13. Church: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$7.40. All current expenses, including the rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$124.48; donations, \$38; total, \$162.48. Increase and improvement of church property, \$25; incidental expenses, \$20; total, \$45. Total for objects within the parish, \$214.88.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$5; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$2; For other objects without the parish, viz., Relief of sufferers from the December flood at South Ashfield, \$10; also, provisions and clothing for same, estimated at \$25; Yellow-fever sufferers, \$1. Total for objects without the parish, \$43.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.67. Domestic: Box for Indian Missions, by the ladies, \$10. Foreign: For Missionary College in China, Sunday School Missionary Box, \$3.52; Missionary Boxes, \$1.82; total, \$5.34. Total for missionary contributions, \$33.01.

Total of contributions, \$290.89.

REMARKS.

The rector had an attack of illness in the summer, which disabled him for about seven weeks. The church, however, was closed only one week on this account, the

Rev. George H. Clark, D.D., most kindly and generously taking the rector's place, officiating once each Sunday. To him and to others who have remembered him in his need the rector is truly grateful.

The December flood, which caused the bursting of a reservoir just above the village, caused no little loss to this community, and especially to a prominent member of this parish.

A number of Foreign Missionary Boxes cannot be reported, not having been opened, the notice to bring the returns having inadvertently been omitted till the 11th of May.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BEVERLY.

The Rev. JOHN CORNWELL WELWOOD, *Rector*.

JOHN D. LOVETT and AUSTIN D. KILHAM, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 1; total, 4. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; removed, 2; present number, 49. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 49. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 231.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$334; subscriptions, \$150; donations, \$100; other sources, \$133; total, \$1,517. Sunday school and Sunday-school library, \$28. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,545.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$28; Convention Fund, \$18. Total for objects without the parish, \$38.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5. Domestic, \$12. Total for missionary contributions, \$17.

Total of contributions, \$1,600.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, BOSTON.

The Rev. CHARLES C. GRAFTON, *Rector*.

The Revs. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, EDWARD WILLIAM OSBORNE and JOSEPH WARREN HILL, *Assistants*.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., and EDWARD NEWTON PERKINS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 103; adults, 37; total, 140. Confirmed, 89. Communicants: Admitted, 93; received, 32; total added, 125; died, 22; removed, 41; total lost, 63; present number, 640. Marriages, 21. Funerals, 59. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 30; scholars, 270. Choir school: Teachers, 3; scholars, 25.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms-chest, \$388.47. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$10,478.36; investments, \$1,002.55; total, \$11,480.91. Increase and improvement of church property, \$16,105.08. Other parochial objects, \$1,035.46. Poor, \$375.73. Total for objects within the parish, \$29,686.65.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$105; Convention Fund, \$30; Christian or Theological Education, \$728; for other objects without the parish, \$147.54. Total for objects without the parish, \$980.54.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$185.38. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$110.21. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$85. Total for missionary contributions, \$380.59.

Total of contributions, \$31,047.78.

REMARKS.

The eastern portion of our new Parish Church, on the corner of Mount Vernon and Brimmer Streets, was opened for Divine Worship on Easter Day, and since been used, in addition to the church on Bowdoin Street, for both Sunday and daily services.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT, *Officiating Clergyman*.HENRY M. SNELL and HENRY W. EMMONS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 2; total added, 13; died, 1; removed, 24; total lost, 25; present number, 86. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 59. Church: Value, \$1,800; sittings, 175.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$32.99. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$1,200.04; subscriptions, \$202.45; total, \$1,435.48. Sunday school, \$37.51; increase and improvement of church property, \$40.18; other parochial objects — towards a font, \$50; towards a fence, \$21.34; for music, \$6.25; total, \$155.28. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,590.76.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — For the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen, \$8.53; Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$7.60; Yellow-fever sufferers, \$13.82. Total for objects without the parish, \$29.95.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.10. Domestic: Mite Boxes, \$2.98; Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$21.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$44.58.

Total of contributions, \$1,665.29.

CHRIST CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D., *Rector*.JOHN FOX and THOMAS MAIR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 18; adults, 2; total, 20. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 6; total added, 16; died, 2; removed, 4; total lost, 6; present number, 160. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 23; scholars, 136. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 700. Value of houses belonging to the parish, \$24,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$59,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$306.45; pew-rents, \$319.25; rents of houses, \$1,267.23; total, \$1,892.93. Sunday school, \$200.91. From Christ Church Literary Association and Guild for Altering, Enlarging and Repairing the Sunday School Building, \$935.31. For maintaining public worship, \$101.25; for the Relief Fund, \$75. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,205.40.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$5; Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$5; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$3. Total for objects without the parish, \$28.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$5; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50; total, \$55. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$25; Dakotah League, \$2; total, \$27. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$10; Fay Memorial Fund, \$5; ditto from a visitor, \$100; total, \$115. Total for missionary contributions, \$197.

Total of contributions, \$3,430.40.

REMARKS.

The Literary Association and Guild of this parish has held very pleasant meetings of a social character, and has collected and given during the year the sum of \$1,111.56. Of this sum \$935.31 has been expended in enlarging and repairing the Sunday-school building, \$75 has been added to the Relief Fund, and \$101.25 given to the parish for the maintenance of public worship. The Burroughs Fund consists of \$342, bequeathed by Miss Eliza Burroughs in 1873 to the Rector and Wardens, in trust for the poor, and

of \$119.52 given for charitable purposes, and is invested in a bond of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Company for \$1,000; the income, \$70 per annum, and one-half of the collections at the Price Lectures in Trinity Church, are distributed among the poor.

The City Council, with the consent of the Rector, Wardens and Vestry, have placed in the front wall of the tower of the church, forty-two feet above the sidewalk, a tablet or block of granite, 10 feet 3 inches in length, 6 feet 4 inches in width, and 1 foot thick, with the following inscription: "The signal lanterns of Paul Revere, displayed in the steeple of this church, April 18th, 1775, warned the country of the march of the British troops to Lexington and Concord."

EMMANUEL CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS, *Rector*.

The Rev. FREDERIC PALMER, *Assistant*.

C. O. WHITMORE and JOHN HOGG, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 3; total, 18. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 37; total added, 45; present number, 255. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 80. Church: Sitzings, 950. Chapel: Sitzings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$1,620.46. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$13,649.59. Sunday school, \$152.64. Increase and improvement of church property, \$1,459.68. Dorcas Society, \$202.57. Poor of parish, \$800. Woman's Missionary Department, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$18,074.94.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$280; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$1,401.77; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$375; Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$25; Christian or theological education, \$700; Erection of churches and chapels, \$50; Young Men's Christian Association, Boston, \$100; Free Hospital for Women, \$150; Society of Bible Readers, \$50. Total for objects without the parish, \$3,131.77.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$335.36. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,143.04. Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl, \$150. St. John's Church, Boston, \$150. Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston, \$200. St. Anne's Church, Lincoln, \$100. Total, \$2,078.40. Domestic missions in general, \$150. Missionary boxes, valued at \$1,500. Emmanuel Hall (Bishop Hare), by Sunday school, \$122.84. Total, \$1,772.84. Foreign missions in general, \$275. Total for missionary contributions, \$5,899.08.

Total of contributions, \$27,105.79.

FREE CHAPEL OF THE EVANGELISTS, BOSTON.

Rev. B. B. KILLIKELLY, *Assistant Minister of Trinity on the Greene Foundation*.

Baptisms: Infants, 47; adults, 12; total, 59. Confirmed, 26. Communicants: Admitted, 25; received, 35; total added, 60; died, 3; removed, 10; total lost, 13; present number, 208. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Teachers, 29; officers, 3; scholars, 280; total, 312. Sewing school: Officers, 2; teachers, 20; pupils, 169; total, 191. Value of chapel, \$1,850. Number of sittings, 300. Evening collections for general expenses, \$120.61; for domestic missions, \$6.27; total, \$126.88. Offertory: Charities, &c., \$94.81; for organ, \$25; total, \$119.81. Sunday-school offerings, \$17.29. Total, \$263.98. Special contributions: For organ, \$127; for other things, \$30. Total within the parish, \$420.98.

REMARKS.

This Mission is now under the charge of Trinity Parish, Boston.

GRACE CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. ALEXANDER MACKAY-SMITH, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 56; adults, 4; total, 60. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Present number, 88. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 23; scholars, 225. Church: Sitzings, 375. Chapel: Sitzings, 125.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$762.25; subscriptions, \$100; other sources, \$375.50; total, \$1,237.75. Sunday school, \$78.37. Increase and improvement of church property, \$101. Parish Guild, Ladies' Aid and Mite Society (estimated), \$150. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,567.12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$12.72. Domestic missions, \$20.69. Foreign missions, \$27.34. Total for missionary contributions, \$60.75.

Total of contributions, \$1,627.87.

REMARKS.

During the past year new Sunday-school rooms and library have been opened beneath the church, and furnished, the expense being about \$1,500. Two-thirds of this sum has been raised, the present debt being \$500. The Guild numbers about 70, the Sunday school about 250. A reading-room has been opened, a mothers' weekly meeting begun with an average attendance of 25, and a sewing school started with an average of 45 scholars. The number of families connected with the parish is about 175. The prospect for the future, so far as one may judge, seems hopeful in every way.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE JARVIS PRESCOTT, *Rector*.J. D. WILLIAMS FRENCH and ROBERT H. RICHARDS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 32. Confirmed, 33. Communicants: Present number, 250. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 34. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 29; scholars, 216; total, 245.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$323.26. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,473.06; subscriptions to pay lease of church building, \$700; donations, \$350; total, \$3,723.06. Sunday school, \$81.10. Increase and improvement of church property for a rectory fund, \$39.82. Sewing school, \$25. Sewing for women, \$53. Christmas decorations, \$18.40. Alms-chest, \$107.45. Sundry other objects, \$73.05. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,459.14.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention fund, \$17; Christian or theological education, \$39.25; Society for suppression of vice, \$5; Yellow-fever sufferers, \$15.25. Total for objects without the parish, \$96.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$78.59. Domestic missions in general, \$22.25. Indian missions, \$15.50. Freedmen missions, \$10.75. Mission to the Jews, \$30. Total, \$78.50. Foreign missions, \$14.30. Total for missionary contributions, \$171.39.

Total of contributions, \$4,727.03.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, *Rector*.CAUSTEN BROWNE and SAMUEL RICE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 13; total, 30. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 17; received, 9; total added, 26; died, 6; removed, 4; total lost, 10; pres-

ent number, 271. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 102. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 600. Chapel: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$37,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$7,650.58. Increase and improvement of church property, \$279. For the poor, \$301.92. By Sunday school, \$89.26. By parish Guild, \$33. Total for objects within the parish, \$8,353.76.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$60.24; Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$67; Christian or theological education, \$9. Total for objects without the parish, \$126.24.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$112.20. Domestic missions, \$20.81. Foreign missions, \$11.86. Total for missionary contributions, \$144.87.

Total of contributions, \$8,624.87.

REMARKS.

In addition to the above a box of clothing, valued at \$70, has been sent to a clergyman at the South. In a year of close financial pressure this parish has paid its debts, and come out with a balance in its treasury. It has raised this year more than \$600 more than it did last year.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH (HIGHLANDS), BOSTON.

The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, Rector.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 4; total, 17. Confirmed, 20. Communicants: present number, 260. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 40; scholars, 290; total, 330.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$444.41. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$5,284.53. Sunday school, \$200. Christmas decorations, \$56.71. Parochial missions, St. James's Guild, \$50. St. James's Aid Society, \$50. Increase and improvement of church property, \$1,546.25. Employment Society, \$223.33. Helping Hand Society, \$62.34. Completion of Mission Chapel (St. Anne's), \$1,937.30. For services in Mission Chapel (St. Anne's), \$250. Collections in Mission Chapel (St. Anne's), \$227.69. Sunday school in Mission Chapel, \$80.86; Christmas festival in Mission Chapel, \$48. Total for objects within the parish, \$10,461.62.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$46.62; for yellow-fever sufferers, \$128.10. Total for objects without the parish, \$174.72.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$55.20; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$41.80; Diocesan Missions through "Helping Hand," \$87.46; total, \$184.46. Domestic: Indian missions, including scholarship in Bishop Hare's school, \$190.40. Foreign missions, including scholarship in Miss Nelson's school, \$110.73. Total for missionary contributions, \$485.59.

Total of contributions, \$11,121.93.

REMARKS.

Since our last report, St. Anne's Chapel has been completed and nearly furnished without debt; and was opened as a mission chapel of St. James's Church in July, 1878; since which time a flourishing Sunday school and well-attended Sunday evening services have been maintained there. The statistics of the parish Sunday school include those of the mission. Of the amount contributed towards the completion of the building, \$200 was contributed by the rector of Trinity Church, \$100 by the rector of St. Paul's, \$100 by Emmanuel Church, \$100 by the rector of St. James's, and \$775 through the bishop of the Diocese. Also, the worshippers in the mission made substantial additions to the building-fund by means of fairs and a few cash contributions.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (HIGHLANDS), BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, *Rector*.DAVID CONNERY and JOHN FORSYTH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 47; adults, 2; total, 49. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Present number, 248. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 19. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 21; scholars, 272.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion and in alms-chest, \$77.02. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$3,208.50. Sunday-school offerings in addition to amount of Indian scholarship, \$61.32. For Employment Society, \$37.75; for Thanksgiving dinners, \$28.79; for Workingmen's Club (offering at Anniversary service), \$11; for Christmas festival, \$33.11; for Christmas greens and Easter flowers, \$23.52. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,581.01.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52; Convention Fund, \$15; for candidates for orders (at discretion of the Bishop), \$29.22. Total for objects without the parish, \$96.22.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$47.11. Domestic: Domestic missions in general (including support of scholarship in Niobrara by Sunday school, \$60), \$99.78. Foreign missions, \$4. Total for missionary contributions, \$150.89.

Total of contributions, \$3,828.12.

REMARKS.

From June, 1877, to September, 1878, when illness compelled him to resign, the Rev. Edwin Walter Gould served as assistant minister. Previous to his ordination, he was for four years organist and director of the music. His long and faithful services will ever be remembered with the deepest gratitude.

Thirty-six women have received work from the Employment Society during the winter.

One box of articles has been sent to the hospital at Yankton, Dak., valued at \$38.77; also one to Sister Eliza, Denver, Col., valued at \$22, the latter being the work of the Bishop-Whipple class in the Sunday school.

This parish needs, in order to do its duty, a proper "Sunday-school and parish building." It needs, also, *money, Sunday-school teachers, and workers*. The rector begs to commend the work of St. John's Church to the Churchmen and Churchwomen who have money or the ability and disposition to work for Christ, or both. He feels that he has a right to ask for help to do the work of the Church in this section of the city. He feels, too, that, if the Church people of Boston realized what a field for work God has given to this parish, the help would come.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (CHARLESTOWN DISTRICT), BOSTON.

The Rev. THOMAS RICKER LAMBERT, D.D., *Rector*.GEORGE N. FISHER and Col. JAMES H. JONES, U. S. Marine Corps, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 41; adult, 6; total, 47. Confirmed, 27. Communicants: Present number, 310. Marriages, 26. Funerals, 38. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 19; scholars, 215.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$215.37. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$280.09; pew-rents, \$2,116.16; subscriptions, \$345; donations, \$512; other sources, \$285.50; total, \$3,538.75. Easter flowers, \$30.77. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,784.89.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$70; Convention Fund, \$15; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25; Memphis and New Orleans sufferers, \$50. Total for objects without the parish, \$160.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, mite-chest, \$23.25. Work among the colored people, mite-chest, \$24.25; Mexico, mite-chest, \$24.34; Lewiston, Me., mite-chest, \$25; total, \$96.70.

Total of contributions, \$4,043.59.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, EAST BOSTON.

The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, *Rector*.GEORGE H. PLUMMER and Capt. W. A. PARKER, U.S.N., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 43; adults, 1; total, 44. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Died, 2; present number, 180. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 24. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at offertory, \$1,173.88; other sources, \$187.25; total, \$1,361.13. Sunday-school offerings, \$89.39. Ladies' Parish Aid Society, \$137.44. Sunday-school Library, \$29.75. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,617.71.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20. Foreign Missions, \$20.79. Total for Missionary contributions, \$40.79.

Total of contributions, \$1,668.50.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (JAMAICA PLAIN), BOSTON.

The Rev. SUMNER UPHAM SHEARMAN, *Rector*.FRANK W. REYNOLDS and THOMAS P. PROCTOR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 3; total, 18. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 14; total added, 23; removed, 14; present number, 181. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 21; scholars, 140. Church: Value, \$11,200; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$1,800; sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$16,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$281.84. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$200; pew-rents, \$2,673.25; subscriptions, \$805.75; total, \$3,678. Sunday school, \$207.46. For Building Fund, \$505; for Christmas festival, \$103.55; for Easter festival, \$54.75; for expenses connected with meeting of Southern Convocation, \$21.89. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,852.49.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$175; Convention Fund, \$25; Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$5; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$10; Christian or theological education, \$44.19; House of Good Samaritan, \$5. By church: For yellow-fever sufferers, \$36.87. By Sunday school: For yellow-fever sufferers, \$5.50; for boxes to missionaries, \$150; for box sent to Indian children by Sunday school, \$40. Total for objects without the parish, \$496.56.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$68.12; Domestic missions, \$50.88; Foreign missions, \$64.18. Total for missionary contributions, \$183.18.

Total of contributions, \$5,532.23.

REMARKS.

Efforts are making, directed to the building of a new church on land held by the corporation. The Parish Guild is contributing very materially to aid the good work.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH (BRIGHTON), BOSTON.

The Rev. THOMAS COLE, *Rector*.THEODORE T. S. LAIDLEY and JOHN H. STURGIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7. Communicants: Received, 5; removed, 3; present number, 64. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 32. Church: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$9,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$18. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,162.67; Sunday school, \$15; increase and improvement of church property, \$60. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,255.67.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention fund, \$20; yellow-fever sufferers, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.

Total of contributions, \$1,295.67.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

[No Report.]

ST. MARY'S CHURCH (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. L. W. SALSTONSTALL, *Rector*.

JOHN P. CLAPP and DANIEL B. STEDMAN, Jr., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 1; total, 10. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Present number, 160. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 95.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$161.06. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$511.85; collections in church, \$385.85; pew-rents, \$1,675.92; subscriptions, \$163; donations, \$88.21; other sources, \$37.58; total, \$2,892.41. Parochial objects, \$353.32; (\$141 of this sum was received from "Other Sources," and devoted to "Parochial Objects" not enumerated in the above list.) Total for objects within the parish, \$3,406.79.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$18.07; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$9.34; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$11.75; Yellow Fever Relief Fund, \$77.40. Total for objects without the parish, \$116.56.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions: First, \$11.37; second, \$16.80; total, \$28.17. Domestic: Mite chests, \$29.67; Branch Dakota League, \$28.82; Ladies' Aid Society, \$39.46; total, \$97.95. Foreign: Offerings in church, \$22.68; missionary boxes, \$10.09; total, \$32.77. Total for missionary contributions, \$158.89.

Total of contributions, \$3,682.24.

THE FREE CHURCH OF ST. MARY FOR SAILORS.

[No Report.]

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, *Rector*.

The Rev. THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON, *Assistant*.

DAVID CLAPP and HENRY W. NELSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 66; adults, 7; total, 73. Confirmed, 30. Communicants: Admitted, 30; received, 20; total added, 50. Died, 8; removed, 27; total lost, 35. Present number, 415. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 52. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 21; scholars, 275. Chapel school: Teachers, 11; scholars, 60. Church: Value, \$40,000; sittings, 650. Chapel: Sittings, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$356.08. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$3,138.05. Offerings at offertory, \$968.53; subscriptions (Easter pledges), \$73.75; other sources, \$25; total, \$1,067.28. Sunday school, \$150; Mothers' Meeting, for the poor, \$10.69; St. Matthew's Chapel, \$269.71; Rector's Aid Society, \$652.56; increase and improvement of church property, \$136.05; Sinking Fund, \$63.63; Lecture Fund, \$154.10; Sunday School Aid Society, \$20; Rector's Bible Class, \$100; Ladies' Aid Society, for various objects, \$200; St. Matthew's Guild, \$18.60. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,236.75.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$70; Convention Fund, \$30; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$25; Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$21; yellow-fever sufferers, \$40. Total for objects without the parish, \$186.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic: Mission at Petersburg, Virginia, \$16; for the Jews, \$10; total, \$26. Foreign: African Missions, \$25; Mission at Jaffa, \$25; Mission in Mexico, \$10; total, \$60. Total for missionary contributions, \$96.

Total of contributions, \$6,518.75.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. WILLIAM W. NEWTON, *Rector*.

CHARLES R. TRAIN and Dr. J. WINTHROP TAYLOR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 5; total, 11. Confirmed, 23. Communicants: Admitted, 20; received, 43; total added, 63; died 8; present number, about 350. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 178.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$610.74. All current expenses, including the rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$10,077.57; general fund, &c., \$3,578.22; total, \$13,655.79. Sunday school, \$58.29. Other Parochial objects, \$73.75; parish poor, \$76.77; St. Paul's Industrial Aid, \$64.35; Ladies' Missionary Society, \$18.45; St. Paul's Guild, \$56.53. Total for objects within the parish, \$14,644.67.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$49.50; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$245.48. Total for objects without the parish, \$294.98.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$19.97; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$162.97. Domestic missions, \$132.23. Foreign missions, \$111.64. Miscellaneous missionary appeals, \$1,050. Total for missionary contributions, \$1,476.81.

Total of contributions, \$16,416.46.

REMARKS.

The Guild of St. Paul's Church has supported for the last year, at the expense of \$1,000, a free reading-room for workmen, at the corner of Hanover and Parmenter Streets, Boston. At this place may be found books, papers and magazines, for the workmen at the North End of the city. Free lectures and entertainments have also been given through the past winter. The attendance at this room has been very large for the year past—numbering at times as many as 2,700 names registered on the book during a single month. This practical working of the Guild of St. Paul's Church has reaped a rich result of good in complying with the Gospel command, "Go ye into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in."

ST. STEPHEN'S MISSION CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, *Minister*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 3; total, 20. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Admitted, 28; received, 9; total added, 37; died, 5; removed, 10; total lost, 15; present number 86. Marriages, 18; Funerals, 16. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 79. Church furniture, &c., \$250. Parsonage: Value, \$12,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$12,250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses: offerings at the offertory, \$94.91. Sunday school, \$7.71. Offertory for poor, \$1.00; offertory for Guild, \$2.30. Total for objects within the parish, \$105.92.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$3.81; erection of churches and chapels, \$16.47; yellow-fever sufferers, \$12. Total for objects without the parish, \$32.28.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$8.70. Domestic: Indian missions for Bishop Whipple, from Sunday school, \$3.03; donation, \$4; Dakota League, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$20.73.

Total of contributions, \$158.93.

REMARKS.

Although we are still without a church-building of our own, and have not even a *rented one* which we can control and use as and when we please, yet it hath pleased God, notwithstanding these serious disadvantages, to give us His blessing. Our Sunday school, though small, is in a healthy and growing condition. The congregations have increased in numbers and in a growing attachment to the Church and her services. The choir is in a more efficient condition than it has been in for several years. The people are devout and united. The services are hearty, lively, and cheerful—giving one the idea of “worship.” The proportion of communicants to that of the congregation is unusually large. The mission has lost by removals during the past three years upwards of eighty families, but many more than that number have identified themselves with it. As much work has been done during the past year as the circumstances of our condition would admit of.

TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D., *Rector*.

The Revs. LEVERETT BRADLEY, Jr., and BRYAN B. KILLIKELLY, *Assistants*.

CHARLES HENRY PARKER and CHARLES R. CODMAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 42; adults, 12; total, 54. Confirmed, 64. Communicants: Present number, about 750. Marriages, 28. Funerals, 26. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 61; scholars, 487. Sewing school: scholars, 313.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$3,631.46. Sunday school, \$235; Parochial Missions, \$1,500; increase and improvement of church property, \$11,864.80; Charitable Societies of the Parish, \$2,968.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$20,199.76.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$210; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$2,506; sufferers by yellow fever, \$830; Gloucester sufferers, \$820.50; contributions of Sunday schools, \$442.42. Total for objects without the parish, \$4,808.92.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$840; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,339; total, \$2,179. Domestic Missions, in general, \$2,370; Indian Missions, \$1,054.52; Foreign Missions, \$5,430.25; miscellaneous, \$2,780.90. Total for missionary contributions, \$13,814.67.

Total of contributions, \$38,823.35.

REMARKS.

The Mission Chapel of Trinity Church, known as the Free Chapel of the Evangelists, has done good work during the year, which will be reported by the minister in charge, the Rev. J. B. Killikelly, one of the assistant ministers of Trinity.

TRINITY CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.

The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; died, 3; re-

moved, 15; total lost, 18. Present number, 31. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Scholars and belonging to parish, 23. Church: Sittings, 400. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

- OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$32.07.
- MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.11.
- Total of contributions, \$49.18.

REMARKS.

No Treasurer's report has been received. Owing to the depression of business families have been obliged to move elsewhere, which, of course, decreases the number of communicants. This report does not include duty at the State Workhouse, which the rector of this church is chaplain.

ST. PAUL'S MISSION, BROCKTON.

The Rev. JAMES AUGUSTUS SANDERSON, *Missionary*.

ALEXANDER F. BURDON HARDY, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 1; total added, 2. Present number, 32. Marriages, 1. Sunday schools: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 20. Chapel: Value, \$3,600; sittings, 170. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$3,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at offertory, \$75.96; pew-rents, \$281.11; subscriptions, \$124; other sources, \$317.88; Sunday school, \$7. Total for objects within the parish, \$905.95.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$9.

Total of contributions, \$314.95.

REMARKS.

The present missionary has had charge of this station since October 1st. He finds everything encouraging, if not for a rapid, yet for a sure and sound growth of the Church in this large and busy town of about twelve thousand inhabitants, increasing every year at a remarkable rate. One hundred and sixty dollars of the amount raised has been applied to reduce the small debt of the Mission.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKLINE.

The Rev. LEONARD KIP STORRS, *Rector*.

JAMES S. AMORY and HENRY S. CHASE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 5; total added, 13; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number, 229. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 130.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$740.61. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$7,555.24. Sunday school, (Christmas Tree) and reading-room, \$175.65. Sunday school Easter celebration, \$34; special for poor, \$170; Thanksgiving collection for poor, \$72.17. Total for objects within the parish, \$8,797.67.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$150; Convention Fund, \$32; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$103.04; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston (from Sunday school), \$100; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, including annual subscription and donations for two years, \$171; Christian or theological education, \$73; yellow-fever sufferers, \$140.05; Brookline charities, \$118.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$1,187.59.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$196.90. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, including specials, \$247 50; Indian Box, \$50; Woman's Auxiliary for Mrs. Bishop Payne's work, \$31. Foreign: Foreign missions in general (including specials), \$373.21; Woman's Auxiliary for Chinese scholarship, \$50. Total for missionary contributions, \$948.61.

Total of contributions, \$10,933.87.

MISSION CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, EAST CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. ALEXANDER V. G. ALLEN, *Missionary*.

JAMES WILLARD PRESTON, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 2; total, 12. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 2; total added, 6; removed, 3; present number, 75. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 133; Bible class, 26.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses: Offerings at the offertory, \$74.11; collections in church, \$194.40; other sources, \$100 38; total, \$368.89. Sunday school, \$110.29. Total for objects within the parish, \$479.18.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$21.58. Domestic: Indian commission from the Sunday school, \$15.14. Total for missionary contributions, \$36.72.

Total of contributions, \$515.90.

CHRIST CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

SAMUEL BATCHELDER and LUCIUS L. HUBBARD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 18. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 15; total added, 26; died, 4; removed, 45; total lost, 49; present number, 193. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 31; scholars, 146. Church: Value, \$50,000; sittings, 450. Chapel: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000; Ministerial Fund, \$12,711.17. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$72,211.17.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$218 74. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,588.78. Subscriptions, \$301.93; investments, \$628.78; total, \$930.71. For Sunday-school library, \$53; parish debt, \$7.92; Sunday-school offerings for current expenses, \$53.92. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,853 07.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$4 89; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$3.35; Cambridge Dispensary, \$13.85; Sunday-school offerings for domestic missions, \$44.13. Total for objects without the parish, \$66.22.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$39. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$45 28; Indian missions, \$12.86. Foreign Missions, \$14.65. Total for missionary contributions, \$111 90.

Total of contributions, \$4,031.28.

REMARKS.

The Rev. William Chauncy Langdon, D. D., having resigned the rectorship of this parish, November 1st, 1878, this report is signed by Samuel Batchelder and Lucius L. Hubbard, Wardens.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, *Minister in Charge.*FREDERICK CHARLES COWPER, *Lay Reader* (at St. James's Chapel, West Somerville).JAMES M. BARKER and CHARLES R. WOODS, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 1; total, 9. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 8; total added, 9; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number, revised list, 100. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 4. Two Sunday schools: Officers and teachers, 23; scholars, 138. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 275. Chapel: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 175. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,000—a reduced valuation; that heretofore returned is deemed excessive.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion: Church, \$77.40; Chapel, \$2.07; total, \$79.47. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,248.38. Sunday schools, \$64.76; Parochial missions: Chapel in West Somerville, \$93.93; Increase and improvement of church property (paid from church treasury), \$36.04; miscellaneous parish charities, \$28.96; Free Church Messenger, \$11.50; Christmas-tree, \$40; Chapel debt, \$39.01; "Floy Fund," \$8.93; Maps, \$13.27; total, \$141.67. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,628.21.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, one year's interest on parish note, paid from treasury, \$14; Convention Fund, paid from treasury, \$5; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$11.95; Christian or theological education, \$11.35; yellow-fever sufferers, \$15.60; Cambridge Dispensary, \$11.74. Total for objects without the parish, \$69.64.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19.24. Domestic Missions, \$108.21. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$100; Japan, \$1.64; Rev. Mr. Bates, \$13.50; China, \$5.74; Rev. Mr. Fair, Africa, \$12.63; total, \$133.51. Total for missionary contributions, \$260.96.

Total of contributions, \$1,958.81:

ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL CHAPEL, CAMBRIDGE.

*(Chapel of the Episcopal Theological School.)*Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D.D., *Dean.*

Families registered, about 70; individuals, about 250; usual attendance (including college students), about 350. Communicants, 132. Baptisms: Infants, 9. Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 3. Burials, 7. Sunday school: Officers, 14; scholars, 75.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For expenses, including Sunday school (no salary paid by the congregation), \$1,860.21 (all raised by voluntary offerings). The poor, \$137.91; Episcopal Support, \$32.50; widows and orphans of deceased clergy of the diocese, \$50; theological education (through societies and by direct gift), \$460.87; Cambridge Dispensary, \$55.75.

Missions: Diocesan, \$71.75; Domestic, \$52.50; Indians, \$127.46; Freedmen, \$62.45; Foreign, \$197.03; Mexican, \$73.75. Total for missions, \$584.94.

Miscellaneous objects, \$27.91.

Total contributions, \$3,210.19.

This congregation is neither organized nor united with the Convention; consequently the numbers of families and communicants only include such as are registered at their own request, and do not embrace many that attend more or less frequently, availing themselves of a free place of worship.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. EDWARD MANNING GUSHEE, *Rector*.EDWARD R. COGSWELL, M.D., and WILLIAM W. DALLINGER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 24; adults, 5; total, 29. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 12; total added, 26; died, 2; removed, 3; total lost, 5; present number, 284. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 185.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$89.93; all current expenses, including rector's salary, \$3,463.31; Sunday school, \$43.65; to liquidate church debt, \$1,350. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,947.89.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$36; St. Mary's Orphanage, Lowell, \$6; Theological education, \$27; Church Home, Milwaukee, \$12.64. Total for objects without the parish, \$81.64.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic: Domestic missions, \$103; Indian missions, \$13.02. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$62.60. Total for missionary contributions, \$228.62.

Total of contributions, \$5,258.15.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, CHELMSFORD.

OLIVER W. ROGERS, *Lay Reader*.CHARLES D. CLARK and ALLEN T. HODGE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Adults, 1. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Received, 1; removed, 1; present number, 26. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 28. Church: Sittings, 50. Parsonage: Value, \$2,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$51.83; donations, \$4.21; total, \$56.04. Increase and improvements of church property, \$60. Total for objects within the parish, \$116.04.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.70. Total for missionary contributions, \$5.70.

Total of contributions, \$121.74.

REMARKS.

The parish has suffered very much during the past year, on account of the depression in business, and, since November last, in the loss of its rector, the Rev. B. F. Cooley. But notwithstanding many discouragements, regular services have been kept up by lay reading, and the Holy Communion celebrated nearly every month, and we feel confident that no ground has been lost, and are hopeful for something better in the future.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CHELSEA.

The Rev. JOHN T. BURRILL, *Officiating Clergyman*.WILLIAM R. PEARMAIN and WILLIAM B. WHITING, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 2; total added, 8; died, 6; removed, 5; total lost, 11; present number, 172. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 27. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 23; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$15,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,000.

ST. JAMES.

The Rectory.

FREDERICK CHARLES COLE.

JAMES M. BAKER.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; admitted, 1; received, 8; number, revised list, 1; and teachers, 23; Value, \$2,000; sum \$10,000—a relief.

Holy Communion at the offertory, \$17.50; sources, \$17.50; total for objects within the parish, \$17.50.

Fund, \$18.

Board of Missions, \$16.12; contributions, \$30.51.

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SHEPHERD, CLINTON.

JESUS FOOTE, *Rector*.JOHNSTON, *Church-Wardens*.

S. Confirmed, 8. Communicants, 4; died, 4; removed, 3; total lost, 7; Sunday school: Officers and teachers, \$5,000. Total valuation of the property, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Current expenses, including rector's salary, \$326.04; total, \$1,279.91. Valuation of church property, \$307.86. Within the parish, \$1,451.41.

Episcopal Board of Missions, \$41.12. Total for missionary contributions, \$41.12.

REMARKS.

At the last, the steps necessary to a legal organization into union with the Convention in the work here the first of August last.

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GEORGE WALKER, *Rector*.JAMIN R. TIBBETIS, *Church-Wardens*.

S. 2; total, 7. Confirmed, 4. Communicants, 1; died, 2; removed, 5; total lost, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, \$5,000; sittings, 275. Parsonage lot: Value, \$5,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

St. James. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$10.55; Alms at offertory, \$386.13; p. \$112.80; total, \$511.48. Increase and new furnace, \$95; repairs on church, \$10. Total, \$706.48.

St. James. — Episcopal Fund, \$4; Convention Fund, \$268. Total for objects without the parish, \$272.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.30. Domestic: for Indians, — value, \$8; Lent offerings of Sunday school, \$10.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$33.80.
Total of contributions, \$770.96.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, DEDHAM.

The Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN, *Rector*.

IRA CLEVELAND and THOMAS L. WAKEFIELD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 4; total, 16. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 3; total added, 15; died, 2; removed, 4; total lost, 6; present number, 187. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 116. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 160. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$36,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$109.82. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$616.61; pew-rents, \$462.79; subscriptions, \$40; investments, \$607.60; total, \$2,727. Sunday school, 0.28. Increase and improvement of church property, \$361.89. Special gift for or, \$39.30; for work of parish Guild, \$67.30; for Easter decoration, \$31.75. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,407.35.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund included in current expenses over; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$15; Christian or theological education, \$50; erection of churches and chapels, \$8; country week for poor children, \$50; yellow-fever sufferers, \$85.85. Total for objects without the parish, \$208.85.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$150; domestic missions in general, \$155; foreign missions in general, \$79.48. Total for missionary contributions, \$384.48.

Total of contributions, \$4,000.68.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (OAKDALE), DEDHAM.

The Rev. WILLIAM FRANKLIN CHENEY, *Rector*.

WILLIAM B. WELCH and E. L. FROTHINGHAM, JR., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 3; total added, 5; died, 1; removed, 9; total lost, 10; present number, 60. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 124. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 280. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$52.93. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$86.42; pew-rents, \$25; subscriptions, \$684; donations, \$125; total, \$1,151.42. Sunday school, \$82.75. Parish Library, \$19.50. Increase and improvement of church property, \$232.80. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,539.40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.75. Domestic missions: Offerings, \$41.28; 1 box clothing, valued at \$20; total, \$61.28. Foreign missions in general, \$18.75. Total for missionary contributions, \$85.78.

Total of contributions, \$1,625.18.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, EASTHAMPTON.

The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, *Rector*.

N. W. FARRAR and THOMAS BUTTERWORTH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 1; total, 5. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Present number, about 50. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 40.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN
current expenses, including
rents, \$875; donations, \$50;
total, \$1,501.63. Other
\$1,532.88.

OBJECTS WITHOUTIN

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS
Mexican Mission, \$100

Total of contributions

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Baptisms: 10
admitted, 7; received,
number, 80. M.
scholars, 131. Total
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OBJECTS WITHIN
Offerings at the
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For Communion, including all offer-
ings salary; Subscriptions, \$183;
Objects within the parish, \$143.

Fund, \$150.

Board of Missions, \$10.

MISSION, FALL RIVER.

J. Fitch, *Rector.*

W. L. BINGTON, *Assistant.*

S. Howe, *Church-Warden.*

Communicants: Admitted, 10; received,
total lost, 5. Present number, 265. Mar-
ried; Officers and teachers, 22; scholars,
100; Teachers, 27; scholars, 210; total,
scholars, 123; total, 135. Total, Parish

MISSIONS.

at Holy Communion, \$65; special Easter,
including rector's salary; Collections in
dry expenses, \$182.27; for music, \$126.75;
for months, \$190; Parochial work, special,
property, \$237.14; Parish Sunday school,
First Village school, \$5; total, \$222.45;
balance on organ, \$69.74; total, \$1,259.33.
\$3,221.

Episcopal Fund, \$15; Society for the Relief of
Women of the Diocese, \$15; Society for the
Sergymen of the United States, \$15; Chur-
ch; Rev. Job Furness, deacon, \$10. Total

Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic
Missions in general, \$20; Indian Commission,
Foreign; Rev. W. A. Fair, \$9.10; Foreign
Mission Box, \$35; Lydia Fay Scholarship,
to Board of Missions, \$12; clothing for Italian
contributions, \$208.10.

REMARKS.

Over of which the rector has had the oversight,
in Swansea. Since the first Sunday in October
Sunday at three p. m. The times have been very
glad as a whole has never been better for the
Church. It still needs patience to grapple with the
red every class in the community. Spiritually we
for what God has wrought we thank Him and
one, and, we believe, in importance not equalled

CHURCH, FISKDALE.

W. ESTAING JENNINGS, *Rector.*

and JOHN HENDERSON HARRISON, *Church-Warden.*

\$2; total, 12. Confirmed, 9. Communicants, 41-
ad, 14. Removed, 10. Present number, 29. Father-
and teachers, 10; scholars, 55.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$285.78; collections in church, \$44.29; subscriptions, \$857.73; donations, \$13; Ladies' Society, \$100; total, \$1,100.80. For Sunday school, \$18; by Sunday school, \$24.41; increase and improvement of church property, \$5.55; total, \$47.96. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,148.76.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1; Domestic Missions in general, \$2; Foreign Missions, \$3. Total for missionary contributions, \$6. Total of contributions, \$1,169.76.

CHRIST CHURCH, FITCHBURG.

The Rev. E. W. SMITH, *Rector*.

DENNIS FAY and G. D. COLONY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 26; adults, 4; total, 30. **Confirmed,** 15. **Communicants:** Admitted, 15; died, 5; present number, 165. **Marriages,** 2. **Funerals,** 5. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, 148; Church: Value, \$6,100; sittings, 500. **Chapel:** Sittings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$135.22; all current expenses, including rector's salary, \$2,728.88. Subscriptions, \$70; investments, \$100; Sunday school library (620 vols.), \$270; parish library (52 vols.), \$80; total, \$520. Other parochial objects, \$78. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,461.10.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$56; Convention Fund, \$18; Christian or theological education, \$26; for other objects without the parish, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$125.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$71; box valued at \$30.68. Domestic missions in general, \$86.15. Foreign missions in general, \$33. Total for missionary contributions, \$270.83.

Total of contributions, \$3,856.93.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FRAMINGHAM.

[No Report.]

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, GLOUCESTER.

The Rev. WM. R. HOOPER, *Rector*.

JOHN H. STACEY and WILLIAM BABSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9. **Confirmed,** 1. **Communicants:** Admitted, 1; died 2; removed, 10; total lost, 12; present number, 60. **Marriages,** 5. **Funerals,** 6. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 57.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$565.90. Sunday school, \$19.12; increase and improvement of church property, \$110. Christmas tree, \$25.97. Total for objects within the parish, \$720.99.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$3. For the aid of the sufferers by the yellow fever, \$21.86. Total for objects without the parish, \$24.86.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$29.18.

Total of contributions, \$775.03.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREAT BARRINGTON.

The Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON, *Rector*.

M. LUDLOW WHITLOCK and WILLIAM H. PARKS, M. D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 1; total, 9. **Confirmed,** 7. **Communicants:** Admitted, 6; received, 2; total added, 8; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number,

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.
ings, \$30. All current
donations, Board of Missions.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.
MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.
Total of contributions.

CHURCH.

BAPTISMS.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; total added, 17. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 130; total, 152. Burials, 237. Flint Village and Missions, 521.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.
\$35; total, \$100. Church, \$201.97; total, \$2,571.91. \$10; increase, \$89.95; Globes paid for Chapel. Total for objects.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.
Widows and Orphan's Relief of the Board of Missions for objects.

MISSIONS.
From St. George's, \$10; Flint Village, \$10; Flint Village, \$10; Flint Village, \$10. Total.

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Officers and teachers, 11; scholars,

By Holy Communion, \$99.40. All current in church, \$332.79; pew-rents, \$1,135. Sunday school, \$36. Increase and im- objects within the parish, \$3,893.12. Fund, \$12; Society for the Relief of the Diocese, \$16.76. Christian churches and chapels, for St. George's parish, \$72.31.

End of Missions, \$14. Domestic Schol- al for missionary contributions, \$54.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, GREENFIELD.

WASWORTH, S.T.D., *Rector*.

R. LOWELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 4; total lost, 3; present number, 140. Marriages, 13; teachers, 13; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$2,560; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Property belonging to the parish, \$28,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

At Holy Communion, \$250. All current offerings at the offertory, \$200; pew-rents, investments, \$34; Ladies' Association, \$38; total for objects within the parish, \$2,313.

Episcopal Fund, \$35; Convention Fund, \$12; yellow fever sufferers (also 2 boxes clothing), \$9; \$38.

Diocesan Board of Missions, \$37. Domestic Indian missions (also 1 box clothing), \$19. Missionary contributions, \$88.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HANOVER.

NEBY BROOKS, D.D., *Officiating Minister*.

WAS and WARREN WRIGHT, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Admitted, 5; died, 2; present number, 79. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 67. \$300. Parsonage: Value, \$1,600. Total valuation of parish, \$12,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

At Holy Communion, \$211.12. All current salary: Subscriptions, \$1,376; investments, \$162.19; total (\$24.67 contributed by the Sunday school), \$1,532.23. Distribution of Bibles, prayer books, &c., \$22.41; singing, \$75; gift to the minister of the parish, \$20; total for objects within the parish, \$2,185.39.

PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$28; Convention Fund, \$10, \$11; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, \$5; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, East of Flint; of poor, \$30; Yellow-fever sufferers in Memphis, Tenn., about the parish, \$215.61.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50; Mission Church in the diocese (\$19 in articles), \$30; total, \$80. Domestic: Domestic missions in general (\$5 from Sunday school), \$60.75; box for Sunday-school children in Utah, \$20; Dakota League, Massachusetts Branch, \$10; Massachusetts Branch Woman's Auxiliary, Foreign, \$10; Mexican Mission League, Massachusetts Branch, \$10.50; total, \$111.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$191.25.

Total of contributions, \$2,592.45.

REMARKS.

Of the contributions now reported, \$100 were derived from the unwearied and self-denying efforts of "those women which," through their service in the Parish Sewing Society, "labor with me in the gospel."

The records (1773-1868) of Trinity Church, Marshfield, which, through deaths and removals, ceased to exist, have been deposited with the records of St. Andrew's Church, Hanover, for preservation, and to afford opportunity for reference.

A former communicant and devoted friend of the departed church in Marshfield—Mr. Atherton Tilden, now of St. Paul's, Dedham—in addition to depositing the records of Trinity Church in the custody of St. Andrew's, Hanover, has appropriated a sum remaining in his hands, after paying all the obligations incurred by the parish in Marshfield, to placing a suitable memorial of those who were its communicant-members, and who now in the Lord are sleeping, in the church in Hanover.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 6; total, 23. **Confirmed,** 10. **Communicants:** Admitted, 9; died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4; present number, 64. **Marriages,** 6. **Funerals,** 17. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 70. **Church:** Value, \$5,000; sittings, 150. **Parsonage:** Value, \$2,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$7,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$289.56; donations, \$21.90; total, \$311.46; Sunday school, \$24.45; increase and improvement of church property, \$49.75; alms for the poor, \$39.02; Christmas-tree, \$34.75; Easter cards, \$5. Total for objects within the parish, \$461.43.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Yellow-fever sufferers, \$15.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$15.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Domestic: Sunday school Lenten offering, \$4.62; Dakota League, \$17. Total for missionary contributions, \$21.62.

Total of contributions, \$501.55.

TRINITY CHURCH, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES ARTHUR RAND, *Rector*.

EDWARD F. ADAMS and CHARLES J. CHASE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 1; total, 14. **Confirmed,** 5. **Communicants:** Admitted, 8; received, 8; total added, 16; died, 2; removed, 6; total lost, 8; present number, 210. **Marriages,** 2.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$13.65. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,967.65. Sunday school, \$31.63. Choir, \$178.25. For the poor, \$15.02. Easter and Christmas decorations, \$23.75. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,279.95.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$21; Convention Fund, \$15; yellow-fever sufferers, \$25; St. Luke's Orphanage, Haverhill, from the Sunday school, \$17.25. Total for objects without the parish, \$78.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$27.50. Domestic: For church in Longwood, Florida, \$20; Indian missions, \$13; Missions to colored people, \$10; total, \$43. Foreign: For the Church in Mexico, \$20. Total for missionary contributions, \$90.50.

Total of contributions, \$2,448.70.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOLYOKE.

The Rev. AMOS SKEELE, *Rector*.GEORGE H. LEDDY and ELIAS P. FORD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms. Infants, 9; adults, 7; total, 16. Communicants: Admitted, 19; received, 27; total added, 41; died, 1; removed, 12; total lost, 13; present number, 194. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$122.05. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$102.44; collections in church (envelopes), \$421.15; Pew-rents, \$1,574.38; subscriptions, \$33.69; total, \$2,801.36. Sunday school, \$100. Increase and improvement of church property, missing assessment, \$198.86. Reduction of church debt, \$300. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,907.57.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50; Convention Fund, \$14; aid to yellow-fever, Louisiana, \$36; Holyoke Reform Club, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$112.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$13. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$22.55; Indian mission, \$6; total, \$28.55. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$15. Total for missionary contributions, \$56.55.

Church contributions, \$2,976.62.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOPKINTON.

[No Report.]

CHRIST CHURCH, HYDE PARK.

The Rev. FREDERICK H. T. HORSFIELD, *Rector*.MARGARET H. HARDY and WILLIAM H. HOOBS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms. Infants, 16; adults, 2; total, 18. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 7; present number, 100. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 101. Church: Value, \$17,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of church belonging to the parish, \$17,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS IN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$19.99. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$441.69; pew-rents, \$108.41; subscriptions, \$108.41; donations, \$44.50; total, \$1,697.15.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$20; Society for the Relief of Widows of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$7; yellow-fever, \$41.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$112.50.

MISSIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$6. Domestic: For Domestic missions, \$48; subscriptions, \$16; one box for missionary, value, \$10. Foreign: Half scholarship in Duane Hall, China, \$25. Total for missions, \$155.

Church contributions, \$1,893.65.

REMARKS.

The rector has been without a rector a year. The present rector has been in charge since Sunday after Christmas. Under the circumstances a full report will be made at a considerable promise for the future.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, IPSWICH.

The Rev. REUBEN KIDNER, *Rector*.The Rev. MARTIN and JOHN BIRCH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms. Infants, 3; adults, 3; total, 15. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 1; present number, 53. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 80.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$30 29. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$347.88; subscriptions, \$496.09; other sources, \$214.64; total, \$1,058.61. Sunday school, \$25; increase and improvement of church property, \$290. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,313.90.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$5; Convention Fund, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5. Foreign missions, \$20.02. Total for missionary contributions, \$25.02.

Total of contributions, \$1,448.92.

REMARKS.

The present rector entered upon his duties June 19, 1878.

The Rev. John Cotton Smith, D.D., of New York, continues to be a warm friend of the parish. Not only does the church depend upon him for material aid, but in the summer it receives from him both pastoral and pulpit ministrations.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LANESBOROUGH.

[No Report.]

GRACE CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, *Rector*.

JAMES PAYNE and JAMES H. KIDDER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 44; adults, 5; total, 49. **Confirmed,** 32. **Communicants:** Admitted, 32; received, 8; total added, 40; died, 2; removed, 8; total lost, 10; present number, 320. **Marriages,** 8. **Funerals,** 27. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 34; scholars, 300. **Church:** Value, \$18,000; sittings, 600. **Chapel:** Value, \$7,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$25,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$309.77. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$31.34; pew-rents, \$3,180.09; subscriptions, \$45; total, \$3,256.43. Sunday school, \$59.49. Parish Guild, \$90. Increase and improvement of church property: New chapel, \$2,396.21; memorial window, \$1,000. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,111.90.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$104.80; Convention Fund, \$24; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$24; American Bible Society, \$21.42; poor of the city, \$85; total for objects without the parish, \$259.22.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic, \$37.75; for Indians (Sunday school), \$60; cash for box, \$37 50; total, \$135.25. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$43 41; for Mexico, \$16; for Mexico (Sunday school), \$60; total, \$119.41. Total for missionary contributions, \$304.66.

Total of contributions, \$7,675.78.

REMARKS.

During the year, a new chapel, with parish rooms, has been built. The building cost \$5,400, and, except extra expenses of \$200, is paid for. Services were first held in the chapel on Thanksgiving Day, 1878.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. WILLIAM GOODHUE WELLS, *Rector*.

N. P. H. MELVIN and SAMUEL SMITH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 58; adults, 4; total, 62. **Confirmed,** 28. **Communicants:** Admitted, 27; received, 4; total added, 31; died, 1; removed, 4; total lost, 5; present number, 175. **Marriages,** 10. **Funerals,** 22. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$102.67. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$711.73; pew-rents, \$1,029.22; other sources, \$305.81. Sunday school, \$261.14; burial fund, \$7. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,617.57.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$63; Convention Fund, \$15; Christian or Theological Education, \$15; Southern sufferers, \$20; Orphanage, Havre-hill, \$5; total for objects without the parish, \$118.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$41. Total for missionary contributions, \$41.

Total of contributions, \$2,776.57.

REMARKS.

The items of the above report best tell of our present condition. The year closes with restored harmony, increasing congregations, liberal offerings, and strong hope for the future prosperity of the parish.

A large part of the debt has been paid, and a commodious rectory built next the church.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, LEE.

The Rev. ALBERT EUGENE GEORGE, *Rector*.

LUCIUS CROCKER and JOHN HANNA, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 4; total, 13. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 4; total added, 9; removed, 6; present number, 52. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 23. Church: Value (before burned), \$8,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$24.25. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$638.09. Total, \$682.34. Sunday school, \$3.20. Total for objects within the parish, \$690.54.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—New York Bible and Common Prayer-Book Society, \$2.03.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$18.

Total of contributions, \$710.59.

REMARKS.

Our beautiful stone church was burned on Feb. 3. This is the third time since its foundation in 1836 that the parish has had to face this misfortune. We are rebuilding, and, before long, will be able to have another edifice, built on the old plans, in Gothic style. Our insurance (\$5,000) may cover the entire expense of rebuilding, and we hope, before long, to have the kind assistance of friends in obtaining an organ.

TRINITY CHURCH, LENOX.

The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, *Rector*.

CHARLES KNEELAND and EDMUND SPENCER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3. Communicants: Received, 5; removed, 4; present number, 44. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 25. Church: sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$187.12. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$300; pew-rents, \$1,300; subscriptions, \$100; total, \$2,187.12. Sunday school, \$11. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,198.12.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25; sufferers from yellow fever, \$301.13. Total for objects without the parish, \$378.63.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$33; foreign missions, \$25. Total for missionary contributions, \$58.
Total of contributions, \$2,634.75.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LONGWOOD.

The Rev. REGINALD HERER HOWE, *Rector*.

SAMUEL L. BUSH and SAMUEL R. GREGORY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 8; total added, 13; died, 1; removed, 16; total lost, 17; present number, 129. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 70. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 350. Total valuation of the property belonging to parish, \$65,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$349.85. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$106; pew-rents, \$2,238.21; subscriptions, \$1,791.25; investments, \$20; total, \$4,155.46. Sunday school, \$44.43. Increase and improvement of church property, \$154.39. Charities through Aid Society, \$113.56. Charities through Rector's Society, \$25. Christmas and Easter expenses, \$116.26. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,958.95.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$134.27; Convention Fund, \$; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$38.15; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or transient clergymen of the diocese), \$66; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$53.25; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$231.37; Christian or theological education, \$105. Total for objects without the parish, \$5.04.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$221.35. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$315.61; mite-chests, \$62.53; Indian, through Sunday School, \$60. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$179.39; Mexico, through Sunday School, \$60. Total for missionary contributions, \$1,198.88.

Total of contributions, \$6,805.87.

REMARKS.

The parish has been especially fruitful in good works the past year, besides providing sewing work for fourteen or more women in the Longwood-Avenue District, giving out no less than ten boxes to missionaries and others; valued together at \$1.75.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D. D., *Rector*.

The Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON, B. D., *Assistant*.

Baptisms: Infants, 67; adults, 6; total, 73. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 14; total added, 26. Died, 8; removed, 8; total lost, 16. Present number, 443. Marriages, 42. Funerals, 46. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 26; scholars, 212. Church: Sittings, 626.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$310.03. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$3,784.25; subscriptions, rector's assistant, \$1,000; total, \$4,784.25. Sunday school, \$66.45; rector's library, \$53.19; new work at St. Anne's, \$35.38. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,249.30.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$68.44; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$22.18; Bibles and prayer-books, \$37.55; Christian or Theological Education (including Nashotah General Theological Seminary, &c.), \$231.37. Erection of churches and chapels: Rectory at Chelmsford, \$9.46. Sufferers from yellow fever at Memphis, \$62.10; St. Mary's Orphanage, Lowell, \$142.69; Society for the Promotion of Christianity among the Jews, Philadelphia, \$13.70; Church for deaf-mutes, \$14.56; Rev. W. Huntington's Mission in Dakota Territory, \$17.71; Divinity Department of Nebraska College, \$20.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$640.26.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$97.09; House of Prayer, Lowell, \$48.43. Domestic: Domestic Missions in general, \$219.56; Indian Department, \$16.50; total, \$236.06. Foreign: Foreign Missions in general, \$35.11; Massachusetts scholarship in Chinese College, \$21.02; total, \$56.13. Total for missionary contributions, \$437.71.

Total of contributions, \$6,327.27.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER, *Rector*.

HENRY P. WEBBER and SAMUEL J. GIBBY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 22. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 9; total added, 14. Died, 2; removed and otherwise lost, 17; total lost, 19. Present number, 270. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 21. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 160. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms (not elsewhere reported), \$50.69. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$411.05; pew-rents, \$1,412.37; Easter offering, \$231.81; donations, \$50; total, \$2,105.23. Sunday school, \$126.67; increase and improvement of church property (from the Sunday school), \$177.94; for the choir, \$52; for chancel carpet, &c., \$138.40. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,650.93.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$35; Convention Fund, \$14; Society for Increase of Ministry, \$11.19; St. Mary's Orphanage, \$7; sufferers from yellow-fever, \$36.70. Total for objects without the parish, \$103.89.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$38; Domestic Missions, \$12.68. Total for missionary contributions, \$50.68.

Total of contributions, \$2,805.50.

HOUSE OF PRAYER, LOWELL.

The Rev. BELNO ADDISON BROWN, *Rector*.

WILLIAM F. COOPER and GEORGE TRYDER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Adults, 1. Confirmed, 1. Communicants, 50.

REMARKS.

I am not able to state more fully the condition of this parish. A few months ago I undertook the charge of this church in connection with St. Thomas's, Methuen, and have given it such care as I could, not having been able to secure, as yet, a suitable assistant. Since the resignation of the previous rector, Rev. B. F. Cooley, and the consequent loss of his able management, the parish has suffered a serious decline; but, by the blessing of God, it seems now to be gradually increasing in prosperity, and we trust will eventually attain its former well being.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, LYNN.

The Rev. LOUIS DECORMIS, *Rector*.

WILLIAM F. JOHNSON and THOMAS B. KNIGHT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 18; adults, 7; total, 25. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 3; total added, 11; died, 1; removed, 4; total lost, 5; present number, 326. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 17. Sunday-school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, 200. Sewing-school: Teachers, 8; scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary, about \$3,000.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$78.75; Convention Fund, \$25.50; Christian or theological education, \$10; Yellow-fever fund, \$175. Total for objects without the parish, \$286.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$31. Domestic missions, box, \$20. Foreign: Surplice for Rev. Mr. Fair, \$12. Total for Missionary contributions, \$63.

Total of contributions, \$3,349.25.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MALDEN.

The Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON, *Rector*.

J. EDWARD BURT and WILLIAM HENRY LEMON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 8; total, 27. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 41; received, 12; total added, 53; died, 3; removed, 14; total lost, 17; present number, revised, 191. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 12. Sunday-school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 111. Church: Value, \$13,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$13,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$19.62. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,554.34; subscriptions, \$29.50; donations, \$72.64; total, \$1,656.48. Sunday school, \$16 20. Increase and improvement of church property, \$185.47. Christmas and Easter Festivals, \$63.47. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,941.23.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, interest on note, \$21; Convention Fund, \$11. To sinking fund of parish for Episcopal Fund, \$21. Relief of yellow-fever sufferers in Memphis, \$59.42. Total for objects without the parish, \$112.42.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic: Promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$6.03. General: For the General Mission Work of the Church, \$39.94. Total for missionary contributions, \$95.79.

Total of contributions, \$2,149.62.

REMARKS.

In September last the full Daily Service (morning and evening), and a weekly celebration of the Holy Communion (7 A. M. on Sundays), were established. The sum of \$125 was raised by the ladies and young people of the parish, the most of which is reserved as a fund for a Sunday-school room.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, MARBLEHEAD.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HARRIS, *Rector*.

EZEKIEL RUSSELL and WILLIAM D. T. TREPHY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 28; adults, 2; total, 30. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Present number, 94. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 15. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 72. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Value, \$400; sittings, 50. Parsonage: Value, \$6,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$95.67; all current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,590.81; Sunday school, \$44; charitable purposes, \$31.29; donation to rector, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,861.77.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$123 97; Convention Fund, \$8; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$8.50; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$7.55; deaf mutes, \$6.06. Total for objects without the parish, \$154.08.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$36 33. Domestic missions: Cash, \$5; Dakota League, by Ladies' Society, 1 box, value, \$35; total, \$40. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$40; from Sunday school for Church of Jesus, in Mexico, \$10; total, \$50. Total for missionary contributions, \$126.33.

Total of contributions, \$2,142.18.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Prayer, Lowell, \$48.43. Domestic: Domestic Department, \$16.50; total, \$236.06. Foreign: Massachusetts scholarship in Chinese College missionary contributions, \$437.71.

Total of contributions, \$6,327.27.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

The Rev. LEANDER C.

HENRY P. WEBBER and SAMUEL

Baptisms: Infants, 22. Confirmed, 5. total added, 14. Died, 2; removed and number, 270. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 24; scholars, 160. Church: Value, \$25,600; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property

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OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary, rents, \$1,412.37; Easter offering, \$231.00; school, \$126.67; increase and improvement (school), \$177.94; for the choir, \$52; for objects within the parish, \$2,650.93.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Society for Increase of Ministry, \$11.00; yellow-fever, \$36.70. Total for objects without the parish, \$47.70.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Total, \$12.68. Total for missionary contributions, \$2,805.50.

HOUSE

The Rev. B.

WILLIAM F. COOPER

Baptisms: Adults, 1. Confirmed,

I am not able to state more than I have given it such care as I can as assistant. Since the resignation consequent loss of his ability, but, by the blessing of God, and we trust will eventually

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WILLIAM F. J.

Baptisms: Infants, 18; total added, 11; died, 3; marriages, 13. Funerals, 17. Sewing-school: Teachers,

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Total, \$3,000.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Total, \$22.50; Christian or for objects without the

RD.

Rev. Rector.

Rev. Church-Wardens.

Vol. 4. Communicants: Present; School: Officers and teachers, 12;

Communion, \$105.90. All current expenses, church, \$14.50; subscriptions, Sunday school, \$75. Other parishes, \$3,047.48. Various missions and missions: Total for missionary contributions,

REV. MELROSE.

REV. METCALF, Rector.

WILLIAM P. BARRY, Church-Wardens.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Added, 1; removed, 12; total lost, 13; present, 10. Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 61. Total valuation of the property belonging to

CONTRIBUTIONS.

All current expenses, including rector's salary: Subscriptions, \$112; donations, \$245.62; total, \$357.62. Christmas festival, \$36.23. Within the parish, \$1,386.33. Convention Fund, \$8; yellow-fever sufferers, \$3. Total for objects without the parish,

Diocesan Board of Missions, \$3.50.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, METHUEN.

WILLIAM ADDISON BROWN, Rector.

WILLIAM BERRINGTON, Church-Wardens.

Baptisms: Infants, 30. Confirmed, 36. Communicants: Added, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14;

CONTRIBUTIONS.

All current expenses, including rector's salary.

Domestic: Rev. Dr. Newman, missionary to the

REMARKS.

The entire support of the parish depends upon the somewhat over a year old, and entirely self-supporting.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, MILFORD.

Rev. GEORGE ROGERS WHELOCK, *late Rector*.

Rev. GEORGE G. PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Members, 1; total, 3. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 6; died, 2; present number, 92. Marriages, 1. Teachers, 10; scholars, 77. Church: Value, \$10,000; Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish,

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$33.21. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$126.55; pew-rents, \$572; Sunday school, \$40.24; increase and improvement of church property for objects within the parish, \$2,122.

WITHOUT PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$21; Convention Fund, \$9; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$4.68.

Total contributions, \$2,161.23.

REMARKS.

George R. Wheelock resigned the charge of this parish April 14, 1879. We have had clergymen from Boston officiating on the Sundays, and keeping regular Sunday services. What is wanting in this parish is a energetic minister.

We have erected a new tower and beautified the church; also, a new church outlay of \$1,150. To meet this expense the parish borrowed on its bonds raised by subscription, &c., \$175; total, \$1,150. The parish owes notes for \$975 on above alterations, and \$200 to pay the deficiency on salary and current expenses.

Contributions have fallen off during the last few months, but, while it looks disheartening for this parish, we still hope, by renewed efforts and prayer, this parish will revive, and become more prosperous in the future.

CHAS. DOVE, *Warden*.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, MILLVILLE.

The Rev. JESSE ELLIOT HEALD, *Rector*.

H. S. MANSFIELD, and WILLIAM A. COLE, *Church-Wardens*.

Members: Adult, 1. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 5; removed and died, 1; present number, 71. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 36. Church: Value, \$5,000. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$7,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$39.43. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$29; pew-rents, \$223.83; contributions, \$50; total, \$302.83. Sunday school: \$33.55; increase and improvement of church property, \$23.15. Total for objects within the parish, \$610.96.

WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$5.

DIOCESAN CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Total of contributions, \$625.96.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NANTUCKET.

The Rev. LEVI BOYER, *Rector*.

ARTEMUS DAVIS and CHARLES H. STARNBUCK, *Church-Wardens*.

Members: Infant, 1; adult, 1; total, 2. Communicants: Received, 1; died, 1; present number, 35. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

St. John's Church, 200. Parsonage, 700.
 St. John's parish, \$2,400.

Communion, \$22.85. All other
 church, \$275.00; donations, \$20.
 Sunday collections, \$17.00.
 Total for objects within the pa-

riety, \$22.85. For Eccl. Education, \$2.
 For Missions, \$25; for Church work,
 \$30. Total, \$30.

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ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.

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CONTRIBUTIONS.

All current expenses, \$200.00. Parsonage, \$200.00.
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REMARKS.

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OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$70; St. James's Church, \$87.06; for yellow-fever sufferers, \$205.86. Total for objects without the parish, \$362.92.

Total of contributions, \$3,592.53.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.

The Rev. CHARLES HAYDEN PROCTOR, *Rector*.

ANDREW BANNISTER and JAMES BOARDMAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 41; adults, 4; total, 45. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Present number, 50. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 19. Scholars, 125. Church: Value, \$20,000. Sittings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,758.24; subscriptions, \$5,000; donations, \$8,231; other sources, \$3,500. Total for objects within the parish, \$18,489.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—\$17.41.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$6.

Total of contributions, \$18,512.65.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEWBURYPORT.

The Rev. EDWARD LIVINGSTON DROWN, *Rector*.

NATHANIEL FOSTER and DAVID WOOD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 34; adults, 2; total, 36. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 8; total added, 20; died, 5; present number, 308. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 110. Mission school: Teachers, 11; scholars, 50. Church: Sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$12,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$159.78. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$2,712. Sunday school, \$88.65. Various parochial objects: By Decoration Committee, \$140; by Cheerful Workers, \$77; by District Visiting Committee, \$40.33. For the Poor, partly from investments, \$132.30. Special offerings, for various purposes, \$500. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,850.06.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$24. Howard Benevolent Society, \$33.72; yellow-fever sufferers, \$59.50; by Sunday school, for various objects, \$88.65; by Mission school, for various objects, \$5.35. Special offerings, \$150. Total for objects without the parish, \$361.22.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$36.30; Eastern Convocation, \$27.17; Chelmsford, \$10; City Mission, \$164.89; total, \$238.36. Domestic: Domestic Missions in general, \$127.40; Dakota League, \$106; total, \$233.40. Foreign Missions in general, \$56. Total for missionary contributions, \$527.76.

Total of contributions, \$4,739.04.

GRACE CHURCH, NEWTON.

The Rev. GEORGE WOLFE SHINN, *Rector*.

E. F. WATERS and A. B. UNDERWOOD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 5; total, 17. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Present number, about 220. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 125. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$99,695.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$184. All current expenses, including rector's salary, interest on debt, and decrease of the principal, &c., \$10,548.49. Other parish purposes, \$225. Total for objects within the parish, \$10,957.49.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$25. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$5. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$3. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$5. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$10. Christian or theological education, \$25. Erection of churches and chapels, \$13. Total for objects without the parish, \$140.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$65.76. Domestic Missions, \$38. Foreign Missions, \$62. Total, \$185.76. In addition to contributions of money from the parish, the two sewing societies have sent off boxes valued at \$249.71.

Total contributions, \$11,533.46.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH (AUBURNDALE), NEWTON.

The Rev. THOMAS COLE, *Officiating Clergyman*.

CHARLES EDWARD PARKER and FRANK G. L. HENDERSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Died, 1; present number, 25. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 25. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$1,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$52.48; subscriptions, \$450.10; total, \$502.58.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$5.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.

Total of contributions, \$517.58.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, NEWTON LOWER FALLS.

The Rev. HENRY MACKAY, *Rector*.

ISAAC HAGAR and RUFUS MOULTON, *Church-Wardens*.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$111.48. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$1,136.64; pew-rents, \$106; subscriptions, \$125; total, \$1,367.64. Sunday school, \$70.13; increase and improvement of church property, \$75; other parochial objects, \$354.20; total, \$199.93. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,978.45.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50; Convention Fund, \$37.50; Freight on box books and books, cash, clothing, &c., \$75.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$165.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$21.34. Domestic Missions: Special to Utah, \$42. Foreign Missions: In China, \$25; in Africa, \$25; total, \$50. Total for missionary contributions, \$113.34.

Total of contributions, \$2,257.29.

REMARKS.

The confirmation reported took place at Grace Church, Newton. Five candidates were unable to be present through sickness and absences from home when the Bishop made his annual visitation. Hard times, a sparse and lessening population, and no new-comers into the place, make the growth from without, both few and slow. We, however, are gratified to be able to report that a lively and much-needed interest and improvement have been given to our church music. And it is but just and due to Mr. Frederick Rice to say that to him belongs the praise. His labors have been

abundant, and his success and our comfort and edification equally great and delightful. I also, with pleasure, herein record my gratitude to the parish for Christmas presents in money and other things.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH ADAMS.

[No Report.]

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTHAMPTON.

The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, *Rector*.WILLIAM C. ROBINSON and DAVID W. CHAPTS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 2; total adjed, 3; present number, about 90. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 65. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$35; all current expenses, including the rector's salary, \$1,400; Sunday school, \$25. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,460.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Yellow-fever sufferers, \$26.51.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15; Domestic Ladies' donation of clothing, valued at \$15. Total for missionary contributions, \$30: Total of contributions, \$1,516 51.

GRACE CHURCH, NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH.

[Vacant.]

OTIS STANLEY and ABEL R. BLOCK, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 2; total, 3. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Died, 2; removed 2; lost, 4; present number, 41. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Sunday-school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$11,000; sittings, 254. Parsonage: Value, \$2,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$16,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory and collections in church, \$106.26; pew-rents, \$658.92; reduction of debt, \$2,007. Other sources, \$251.96. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,024.14.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$42; Convention Fund, \$5.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$47.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.48. Domestic missions, \$10. Foreign missions, \$2.26. Total for missionary contributions, \$29.74.

Total of contributions, \$3,101.38.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, OTIS.

The Rev. ALBERT EUGENE GEORGE, *Missionary*.

Baptisms: Adults, 1. Confirmed, 1. Communicants, 5. Church: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 200.

REMARKS.

I have officiated in St. Paul's Church, Otis, when it did not interfere with my duties at St. George's Church, Lee. It would be a great blessing to this parish to have a resident clergyman of means. Many have expressed a wish to have services all dur-

ing the year; but this would be impossible for a clergyman to perform living at a distance from the town. The parish affords much encouragement, and may the day be not far away when it will rise again into prominence.

GRACE CHURCH, OXFORD.

[No Report.]

ST. PAUL'S MISSION, PEABODY.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary*.

EDGAR W. UPTON, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 2; total added, 4; removed, 5; present number, 42. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 25. Chapel: Value, \$1,200; sittings, 168. Land: Value, \$2,020. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,520.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$483.11; subscriptions, \$20.80; donations, \$52.58. Sunday-school library, \$20. Improvement of church property: Toward payment of debt on land, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$556.16.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$14.84. Domestic missions: Indian missions, package, value, \$6; suffers from yellow fever, \$3; from Sunday-school, Lent offerings for missions in general, \$3.51. Total for missionary contributions, \$27.35.

Total of contributions, \$583.51.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, PITTSFIELD.

The Rev. WM. MCGLATHERY, *Rector*.

WM. EDW. VERMILYE and FRANK E. KERNOCHAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 4; total, 11. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Present number, about 180. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 11. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 400. The total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$145.31. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$445.82. Collections in church, \$52. Few-rents, \$2,446. Subscriptions, \$100. Investments, \$200. Total, \$3,243.82. Other parochial objects, \$52. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,441.13.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, interest on note, \$47.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Foreign missions, \$7. Total for missionary contributions, \$57.

Total of contributions, \$3,545.38.

CHRIST CHURCH MISSION, PLYMOUTH.

The Rev. JAMES AUGUSTUS SANDERSON, *Missionary*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 2; total, 4. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 5; total added, 9; died, 1; present number, about 30. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 28. Church: Value, about \$6,000; sittings, 175. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, about \$6,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$362.70; donations, \$511; other sources, \$190; total, \$1,063.70.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Yellow-fever sufferers at the South, \$5.67. Total for objects without the parish, \$5.67.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$9. Domestic missions: Jews, \$2.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$11.60.

Total of contributions, \$1,080.87.

REMARKS.

The missionary in charge has been at this station since May 26, 1878. The Church had been closed for a number of years. Then the work was commenced anew. A good congregation has been gathered; a Sunday school organized. The Church building has been repainted and put in order for the worship of Almighty God. Through the kindness of a churchman in Boston a new altar, two chancel chairs, and cushions for all the pews have been provided. A part of the donation was from the fund left by the late Win Coffin, to be applied to painting the church building, and a part from gifts of churchmen in the diocese and elsewhere for a new organ, which has been put up by Messrs. E. & G. G. Hook, of Boston. The ladies, by a Christmas sale, made \$150, one hundred dollars of which was for the organ fund, and the balance for current expenses. We very much need new carpets, a baptismal font, and new chancel windows.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUINCY.

The Rev. THADDEUS ALEXANDER SNIVELY, *Rector.*

WILLIAM L. WAINWRIGHT and WILLIAM GREENOUGH, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 22. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 17; received, 5; total added, 22; died, 2; removed, 8; total lost, 10; present number, 190. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 120. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,800.14. Sunday school, \$35. Christmas and Easter expenses, \$93.99. Parochial mission work, \$10. Increase and improvement of church property, \$588. Ladies' Sewing Society and Charitable Work, \$60.50. Pledge Fund towards reducing church debt, \$675. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,262.63.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$13; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$8.65; Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$8; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, Ladies' Sewing Society (box), \$22; Christian or theological education, \$30; Dr. A. Toomer Porter school, this year, \$50; Dr. Porter, not reported last year, \$120; Southern sufferers (Church, \$246.26; Sunday school, \$6.66), \$252.92. Total for objects without the parish, \$504.57.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$48. Domestic: Offertory, \$42.71; Mite Chests, \$34.04; total, \$76.75. Colored people: Offertory, \$32; Mrs. Payne, \$12.70; total, \$44.70. Indians: Offertory, \$14.50; box, \$35; scholarships, \$95; total, \$144.50; Jewish Missions, \$17.55. Total for domestic missions, \$283.50. Foreign: Offertory, \$40.30; Mite Chest, \$5; total \$45.30; China scholarship, \$50; Mexico, \$24.70; total for foreign missions, \$120. Total for missionary contributions, \$451.50.

Total of contributions, \$4,218.70.

REMARKS.

This parish is a very scattered one. There is a large population in what is called the Quarry District. During Lent, we held weekly Cottage Services there, which were well attended, and may possibly become the nucleus of a Parish Chapel in that district.

CHRIST CHURCH, ROCHDALE (INCLUDING CHERRY VALLEY MISSION).

The Rev. SAMUEL R. BAILEY, *Rector*.

TOLMAN TRASK and JAMES GARSIDE, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Present number, 64. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 40. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 225. Total valuation of property, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Collections in church; \$71; pew-rents, \$228. Donations, \$30. Other sources, \$386. Sunday school, \$5. Total for objects within the parish, \$720.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.

Total of contributions, \$731.

GRACE CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, *Rector*.

BENJAMIN SHREVE and DANIEL B. HAGAR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 2; total, 12. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 2; total added, 7; died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4; present number, 175. Marriages, 4. Burials, 3. Sunday school: Teachers, 12; scholars, 90.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—For alms at Holy Communion, \$236; for all current expenses, including rector's salary, \$2,800; for Sunday school (Christmas festival), \$84.40. For other parochial objects, \$350; donation for sexton, \$53. Total for parochial objects, \$3,523.40.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50; Convention Fund, \$20. Theological education, \$23. Yellow-fever sufferers, \$77; Salem Relief Committee, \$36.63; Gloucester sufferers, \$75. Total for objects without the parish, \$284.13.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan missions, \$28. Foreign missions, \$30. Total for missionary contributions, \$58.

Total of contributions, \$3,865.53.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D. D., *Rector*.

CHARLES H. BATES and JOHN P. PEABODY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 23; total, 34. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 15; died, 2; present number, 233. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 31; scholars, 148. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 700. Chapel: Value, \$9,000; sittings, 175. Parsonage: Value, \$6,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$55,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, and for the poor, \$450.28. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$4,039.08; subscriptions, \$550; total, \$4,589.08. Sunday school, \$79.10. Fund for support of rectory, \$184.43; toward a new font, \$100; Christmas festival of Sunday school, \$36.68; total, \$450.21. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,489.57.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$70; Convention Fund, \$20; Memphis sufferers, \$120; Gloucester sufferers, \$237; Society for the Increase of Ministry, \$43.03; Relief of the poor of the city, \$38; Women's Friend Society, \$50; support of orphan child, \$50; Sunday school, for Children's Friend Society, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$653.03.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100; mission to deaf mutes, \$16.78; Sunday school, to St. Paul's, Peabody, \$32.55; total, \$149.23. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, by Sunday school, \$18.30; Theological School, Faribault, \$150; Dakota League, cash, \$34.26; three missionary boxes, \$187; total, \$389.56. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$85.66; two friends for China Mission, \$30; African Mission, \$34.76; total, \$150.42. Total for missionary contributions, \$389.21.

Total of contributions, \$6,831.81.

CHRIST CHURCH, SHEFFIELD.

The Rev. S. P. PARKER, D. D., *Rector*.

J. G. BARNARD and GEORGE H. LEMIST, *Church-Wardens*.

Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Added, 2; removed, 2; present number, 38. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 100. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion (exclusive of \$100 for a special object), \$18.16. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at offertory, \$71.51; subscriptions, \$100; donations, \$52.20; other sources, pledges, \$188.24; total, \$430.11. Increase and improvement of church property, \$10; instruction books and music, \$17; insurance, \$50; Christmas-tree and decoration, \$32; repairs, \$2.05; total, \$111.05. Total for objects within the parish, \$541.16.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$15; Convention Fund, \$2.50; Erection of churches, \$5; poor, \$5; Women's Auxiliary Society, \$1; yellow-fever sufferers, \$25; South Lee Mission, \$5; Mrs. Buford's work in Virginia, \$35. Total for objects without the parish, \$103.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100; Domestic Missions in general, \$25; Foreign Missions in general, \$17.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$142.50.

Total of contributions, \$787.16.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP, *Rector*.

REUBEN P. BENTON and SAMUEL REYNOLDS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 2; total, 5. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 6; total added, 11. Died, 2; removed, 5; total lost, 7. Present number, 91. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 75.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,437.28. Sunday school (estimated), \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,537.28.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund (1876-7, 1877-8), \$30.

Total of contributions, \$1,567.28.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, EAST SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DURELL, *Rector*.

ALEXANDER WOOD and DOUGLAS FRAZAR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 30; adults, 5; total, 35. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 1; total added, 15. Died, 3; removed, 10; total lost, 13. Present number, 178. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 18. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 176. Church: Sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary : Collections in church, \$520; other sources, \$810. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,430.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$21; Convention Fund, \$28; other objects without the parish, \$20. Total for objects without the parish, \$47.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$40.

Total of contributions, \$1,517.

REMARKS.

Within the last year a tower has been erected at the south-west corner of the church, making the entrance to the main building and to the Sunday-school room very convenient and pleasant. A small but sweet-toned bell, the gift of a friend, has been placed in this tower. A triplet window, beautiful in design and execution, a memorial to departed children of the rector, occupies the central portion of the west end of the church, and the side walls of the interior have been tastefully decorated. These changes and additions add greatly to the attractiveness of our house of prayer. New articles of permanent value for the Holy Table have been given, in grateful recognition of a departed friend.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTH ADAMS.

The Rev. A. B. JENNINGS, *Officiating Clergyman*.*

JOHN S. ADAMS and JAMES OSBORNE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Present number, 50. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 45.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,200.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTHBOROUGH.

The Rev. JAMES IVERS TRECOTHICK COOLIDGE, D.D., *Rector*.

JOSEPH L. BURNETT and L. W. NEWTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 1; total, 8. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 15; removed, 4; present number, 45. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$12,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms, \$11.55; all current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,000 (from offerings). Total for objects within the parish, \$1,011.55.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$15; Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$31.35; sufferers from yellow-fever, \$78.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$124.85.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$34.25; missions in general, \$181.95. Total for missionary contributions, \$266.20.

Total of contributions, \$1,402.60.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, SOUTH GROVELAND.

The Rev. WILLIAM LLOYD HIMES, *Rector*.

CHARLES A. SHAW and WILLIAM H. PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16; adults, 4; total, 20. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 4; total added, 10; present number, 45. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 14. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 120. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

* I resigned the care of this church, Easter, 1879.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms, \$8 31. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$757.23; subscriptions, \$555.15; total, \$1,312.38. Parish Library, \$25; increase and improvement of church property, \$33 50; Christmas offering, \$50; total, \$108 50. By Sunday school: Easter offering, \$14 75; special offerings, \$36; weekly offertory, \$40.95; total, \$91.70. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,520.89.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Christian or theological education, \$12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$13.50.

Total of contributions, \$1,545.89.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, SOUTH LINCOLN.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: died, 1; present number, 57. Funerals, 2.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Collections in church, \$361.21; subscriptions, \$219.90; donations, \$10; other sources, \$35.89. Total, \$647.

REMARKS.

The above report, although neither accurate nor complete, is as nearly so as the undersigned can make it. The parish lost its rector, the Rev. W. H. Groton, in the fall of 1878, who resigned his office in order to accept the rectorate of Trinity Church, St. Stephen, N. B. Since Advent Sunday, St. Anne's has been regularly supplied by the Rev. Prof. Steenstra, of Cambridge; and, notwithstanding the lack of a settled minister, the prospects of the parish seemed bright and promising until within a week of the date of this report. On the 8th of the current month, our senior warden, Mr. Howard Snelling, the founder of the parish and its ever-zealous supporter, was taken from us by a sudden death. The loss of him, so sudden and unexpected, seems to human eyes an almost irreparable blow, and we can only hope in faith that,

"Behind a frowning providence,
God hides a smiling face."

GEORGE G. CHENEY,

Junior Warden.

MAY 14, 1879.

CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD.

The Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, *Rector.*

JOHN B. STEBBINS and JAMES M. BREWER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 16. Communicants: Received, 5; died, 2; removed, 3; total lost, 5; present number, 503. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 17. Sunday scholars, 3; officers and teachers, 37; scholars, 200. Sewing school: teachers, 8; scholars, 50. Church (old and new): Value, \$85,000; sittings, 900. Parsonage; Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$89,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$289.96. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,126 80; pew-rents, \$4,716 07; total, \$6,842.87. Sunday school, \$222.90. For church debt by subscription, \$31,600. For Easter flowers, \$50. For charitable objects through church Guild, \$183 57. Total for objects within the parish, \$39,189.30.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$105; Christian or theological education, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$130.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$102.40. Domestic: Indian commission, \$100. Foreign missions in general, \$46. Total for missionary contributions, \$248.40.

Total of contributions, \$39,567.70.

REMARKS.

The rectorship of the parish has been vacant from the time of the consecration of Bishop Burgess until last Christmas, when the present rector entered upon his duties.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, STOCKBRIDGE.

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, *Rector*.

DANIEL B. FENN, Jr., and MASON VAN DEUSEN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 4; total, 18. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; died, 1; present number, 136. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 16. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 88. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, after deducting \$208.54 specially appropriated, \$120.90. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$388.73; pew-rents, \$1,246.75; subscriptions, \$274.12; total, \$1,909.60. Sunday school, Christmas-tree subscription, \$142.25. Parochial missions, \$400. Increase and improvement of church property, \$73.37. Thank-offerings, \$7. For the poor, \$110.52. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,763.64.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$28; Convention Fund, \$15; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$40.46; yellow-fever sufferers at the South, \$268.10; Westfield parish after the Westfield flood, \$12.67. Total for objects without the parish, \$364.23.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100. Domestic missions in general, \$10.90. Home missions to Colored People and Indian Commission, \$270.48. Foreign missions in general, \$24.66. Total for missionary contributions, \$406.04.

Total of contributions, \$3,533.91.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Dr. Parker has rendered valuable aid during most of the past year in holding service on alternate Sundays at the South Lee Mission.

A missionary box, valued at \$125, has been sent to the West.

CHRIST CHURCH, SWANSEA.

The Rev. WILLIAM T. FITCH, *Officiating Clergyman*.

WILLIAM H. PEARSE and HENRY C. WOOD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1. Communicants: Present number, 13.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$6.50. All current expenses, including the rector's salary, \$356. Increase and improvement of church property, repairs, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$411.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.15.

Total of contributions, \$428.65.

REMARKS.

Since October first there has been service at Swansea every Sunday at 3 p. m. The congregations have been much larger than ever before, the average being from forty to fifty persons. There has been service on the Fast Days of the Church, and Holy Communion once in three months. The minister in charge thinks the interest in the Church and her services in this old parish is steadily increasing.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR, *Rector*.

HENRY NICKOLDS and WILLIAM H. PLEADWELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 7; total added, 10; died, 1; removed, 4; total lost, 5; present number, 73. Marriages,

2. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$46.50; all current expenses, including rector's salary: \$1,008.23; Sunday school, \$123.38. Increase and improvement of church property, \$300.86. Ladies' Parochial Aid Society, \$98.79; Ladies' Easter Fair, \$136. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,713.76.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$15; Convention Fund, \$9; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$10; Yellow-fever sufferers, \$10.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$44.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic Missions: Indians, \$3. Foreign: China, \$10; Africa, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$68.

Total of contributions, \$1,826.26.

REMARKS.

The church has been thoroughly painted on the outside. Several gentlemen in the parent parish, St. Thomas's, always firm friends of St. John's, gave liberally to this work. The building is now in complete repair, both outside and within. We hope soon to have the grounds around the church in such order as will compare well with the improved appearance of the building.

A band of faith-workers among the women of the parish, during the winter, cut and made 170 garments for children in the Sunday school, and for sale at the Easter Fair, and for the Indian Hospital at White Earth. This, in addition to the \$98 above mentioned as devoted to parochial purposes, and one-fourth of the bill for painting. The music in church is all voluntary, the organist and choir serving freely from love to the Master.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEAROLD, *Rector*.

WILLIAM C. LOVERING and WILLIAM H. BENT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16; adults, 2; total, 18. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 4; total added, 13; died, 4; removed, 12; total lost, 16; present number, 300. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 16. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 31; scholars, 281.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$313.95; all current expenses, including the rector's salary, \$5,089.52; Sunday school, \$327.48; increase and improvement of church property, \$916.17; for the poor, \$104. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,751.12.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$56; Convention Fund, \$25; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$46; Christian or theological education, \$21.29; aid to other parishes, \$450; boxes to missionaries, \$137. Total for objects without the parish, \$760.29.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$101.59. Missions in general, \$477.43. Total for missionary contributions, \$579.02.

Total of contributions, \$8,090.43.

TRINITY CHURCH, VAN DEUSENVILLE.

The Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON, *Rector*.

GARRETT BURGERT and P. G. COMSTOCK, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Communicants: admitted, 2; died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2; present number, 42. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and

teachers, 4; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$8,000. Parsonage: Value, \$800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$42.60; subscriptions, \$205; other sources, \$516.29; total, \$763.89. Supply of prayer-books, \$6.70. Total for objects within the parish, \$770.59.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Christian or theological education, \$34.23.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$36.79. Domestic missions: Box for Dakota League.

Total of contributions, \$341.61.

EMMANUEL MISSION, WAKEFIELD.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary*.

Communicants: Received, 1; removed, 2; present number, 21. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 17. Chapel: Sittings, 100. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$200 (church furniture).

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$228.06.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1.16. Domestic: Indian missions, — box, value, \$3. Total for missionary contributions, \$12.16.

Total of contributions, \$240.22.

REMARKS.

Services in this mission have been maintained without interruption during the past year. I held services on week days during Lent. I record, with gratitude, the kind assistance given me by Rev. George P. Huntington, of Malden. Since the middle of winter, I have had the assistance of Rev. C. J. Palmer, deacon, and now Mr. J. Nelson Jones, candidate for Holy Orders, is assisting me. We suffer from removals. We pay \$150 per annum for the use of the room in which we hold services. This takes a good part of the money which is raised through the offertory.

CHRIST CHURCH, WALTHAM.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, *Rector*.

WILLIAM R. WILLS, *Lay Reader*.

OTIS E. HUNT and MOSES E. OSGOOD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 3; total, 22. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 9; total added, 20; died, 4; removed, 11; total lost, 15; present number, 167. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 23. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 164. Church: Value, \$9,500; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$3,200. Parsonage: Value, \$7,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,930.48; Sunday school, \$35; increase and improvement of church property, \$2,589.53; other parochial objects, \$102.92. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,657.93.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$45; Convention Fund, \$13; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$33.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50; domestic missions in general, \$26.78; Indian missions, \$20; colored missions, \$10; total, \$56.78. Foreign missions in general, \$45.86. Total for missionary contributions, \$162.64.

Total of contributions, \$5,903.67.

REMARKS.

The ladies of the parish, through their autumn and Easter sales, have been enabled to contribute nearly \$700 towards the payment for our new rectory, and the Easter offering, of \$151, was principally appropriated to the same object. The Sunday school has contributed \$32.66, which has helped to swell the various appropriations mentioned above. Within a few years, the parish has been able to accomplish results that will very materially contribute to its strength and permanence. They have not completed the payment for their rectory, but, with a continuation of the zeal and liberality they have already shown, and the favors that kind friends have extended to them, they hope that the time is not far distant when this will be fully effected. The congregations have decidedly increased during the past year, and we have many reasons to thank God and take courage.

CHURCH OF THE RECONCILIATION, WEBSTER.

The Rev. ROGER STRONG HOWARD, D.D., *late Rector*.

JAMES H. HOWE and JAMES FRANCIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 2; total, 8. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 8; total added, 15; died, 2; removed, 3; total lost, 5; present number, 78. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 110. Church: Value, \$12,000; sittings, 320.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$13.37. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,153.07. Sunday school, \$72.94. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,269.38.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund (Interest on assessment of \$750), \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$67.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$192.75. Domestic: Domestic Missions in general, \$78.40; Indian Missions, \$27.15; Sunday school offerings during Lent for missions in general, foreign and domestic, \$24.50; for work among freedmen, \$20; total, \$150.05. Total for missionary contributions, \$342.80.

Total of contributions, \$2,679.68.

REMARKS.

The Sunday services of the Church have been very well attended during the past year, and also the Lenten services, and a deeper interest than usual manifested in them. The Sunday school is in a prosperous condition, and the number of scholars attending it has largely increased above that of any previous year. The music in the church has been well sustained.

The Rev. James D. Reld has kindly assisted the rector in many of the services, and what he has done is gratefully acknowledged.

The rector resigned the charge of the parish the last Sunday in April.

CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT, WESTFIELD.

The Rev. BENJAMIN F. COOLEY, *Rector*.

PETER PROUT and DUANE D. GRIFFIN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 4; total added, 9; died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4; present number, 44. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 53. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$396.11; subscriptions, \$27.66; other sources, \$182. Total, \$605.77.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$6. Western Convention, \$8.45. Total of missionary contributions, \$14.45.

Total of contributions, \$620.22.

REMARKS.

The present rector, after having been called to this parish, resigned St. Anne's, Chelmsford, and the House of Prayer, Lowell, sometime in September last, and took up residence in Westfield immediately after. A disastrous flood inundated the town in December, which, with previous untoward circumstances, greatly depressed the parish. Since then, however, prospects have brightened, congregations have increased, a flourishing Sunday school has been gathered, and a good choir of men and boys, supplemented by pupils of the Normal School, renders the services more hearty and attractive.

Westfield is the largest town in the State that has no Church building. Until this is furnished, it is thought by all who know the history of the parish, that the Church must continue to be weak.

The rector is now resident among his own kin, having been once a layman in the parish. His familiarity with the region, and the cordiality with which he was called and is sustained among his people, give him some advantages in doing parochial work in the neighborhood. West Farms Chapel has a monthly service. Granville Universalist Meeting-house, unoccupied as such, has been occasionally used, and offers a convenient and tasteful place of worship in a village populous enough to warrant occupation. Chicopee, Southwick, and Salmon Falls, have also been visited. Blandford and Huntington ought to be looked after. In both towns there are Church interests.

TRINITY CHURCH, WEYMOUTH.

The Rev. JOHN A. JEROME, *Rector.*

EDWARD AVERY and WILLIAM S. WALLACE, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 1; total, 4. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 7; total added, 9; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number, 48. Marriage, 1. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 60. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory and collections in church, \$140; subscriptions, \$778.50; donations, \$11; other sources, \$30; total, \$959.50. Sunday school (from S. school, \$5.29), \$37.85. Parochial mission, \$18. Increase and improvements of church property, \$10.37. Distribution of "Parish Visitor," \$2. Expense of Lenten lectures, \$3.70. Raised by parish Guild, \$6. Raised by Ladies' Society, \$20. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,057.42.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$7.50; Convention Fund, \$8; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$6.25; erection of churches and chapels, \$1; yellow-fever sufferers, \$29. Total for objects without the parish, \$51.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$24.86. Domestic missions: American Church Missionary Society, \$3.50; Indian missions (from Sunday school), \$5; total, \$13.50. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$3.50; for Mexico (from Sunday school, \$6), \$16; total, \$22.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$60.86.

Total of contributions, \$1,170.03.

REMARKS.

Of the 130 services of the year, 24 were held at East Braintree, where many of the parishioners reside.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILKINSONVILLE.

The Rev. JAMES S. ELLIS, *Rector*.

HARVEY DODGE and JEPHTHAH NEWTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6. Communicants: Received, 2; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 60. Marriage, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$39.54; pew-rents, \$350; subscriptions, \$100; donations, \$92; total, \$581.54. Sunday school, \$17.02. Total for objects within the parish, \$568.56.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$58.75; Convention Fund, \$5; for sufferers by yellow-fever in the South, \$7. Total for objects without the parish, \$70.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$23.75. Domestic missions in general, \$6; Indian missions, \$1.65; missions to the Jews, \$1.33; total, \$8.98. Foreign missions in general, \$4. Total for missionary contributions, \$36.73.

Total of contributions, \$706.04.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILLIAMSTOWN.

The Rev. A. B. JENNINGS, *Officiating Clergyman*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 1; total, 6. Communicants: Present number, 40. Marriage, 1. Funeral, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$300.

TRINITY CHURCH, WOBURN.

The Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, *Rector*.

JAMES FOLSOM and J. CHARLES WHITE DAVIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Admitted, 21; received, 10; total added, 31; died, 1; removed, 19; total lost, 20; present number, 128. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 53. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$378.66; ladies' societies, \$292.91; subscriptions, \$238.75; donations in payment of old debt, \$44.03; old balance, \$2.24; total, \$956.49. Sunday school, \$10.50; Christmas-tree presents, \$25; total, \$35.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$981.99.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, 1877, from old balance, \$21; Convention Fund, from old balance, \$9. Total for objects without the parish, \$30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5; by the Sunday school, \$5; total, \$10. Domestic missions: By Young Ladies' Circle,—box for Dakota League, \$10. Foreign Missions: By Young Ladies' Circle,—for Indian scholarship, \$2; for Mexican League, \$5; total, \$7. Total for missionary contributions, \$27.

Total of contributions, \$1,038.99.

REMARKS.

Last year's report of indebtedness (about \$300) should have been \$523.82, which has been reduced a little during the year (\$199.05), being now \$124.77, of which \$247.97 is due on the organ, according to their bill. It will be seen that the church steadily grows, but there is much to be done. Within the past year, we have commenced semi-monthly Tuesday evening service at the west side, and at the chemical works, North Village. Average attendance at Friday evening services, 15; at communion, 30. Mrs. Winkley has formed a young missionary circle, whose report appears in the proper place. I have officiated twice under an old elm, where our early fathers worshipped in the morning of our existence as a colony of Britain. Of the amount raised, \$200 came from the Diocesan Board of Missions; \$44.03, individual offering; \$238.78, subscriptions; \$378.56, offerings; \$360.41, ladies, misses, and Sunday school. Our people are widely scattered. None but *bona-fide* members are reported. The parish has not been free from debt since the purchase of the organ; and, although \$600 have been paid on it, it is thought to be worth not much more than what is now claimed by the makers, a warning not to purchase what must create or increase a debt. The rector acknowledges with gratitude the receipt of a generous donation from the Ladies' Helping-Hand Society, of St. James's Church, Boston Highlands. God bless the ladies, ever helpers of the minister of the sanctuary!

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WOOD'S HOLL.

The Rev. HIRAM CARLETON, D.D., *Rector*.

LEWIS SWIFT and JABEZ DAVIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infant, 1; adult, 1; total, 2. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 3; total added, 4; present number, 39. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 275. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$196.13. * All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,107.49. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,303.62.

REMARKS.

From contributions and offerings, \$10 was paid to Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$50 Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and \$55 Diocesan Missions.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. W. R. HUNTINGTON, D.D., *Rector*.

The Rev. GEORGE E. OSGOOD, *Assistant*.

SUMNER PRATT and MELATIAH B. GREEN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 41; adults, 7; total, 48. Confirmed, 22. Communicants: Admitted, 21; received, 2; total added, 23; died, 9; removed, 3; total lost, 12; present number, about 300. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 31. Sunday schools: Officers and teachers, 39; scholars, 390.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$248.30. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$8,154.93. Sunday school, \$357.41; parish library, \$30; Departments of Women's Work, \$478; donation to found the "Holt Library Fund," \$300; contributed towards Assistant's salary, \$175; Christmas festival, \$93.75. Total for objects within the parish, \$9,537.39.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$14.51; Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Worcester, \$67.86; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$10; Christian or theological education, \$39.54; Yellow-fever sufferers, \$89.75; Women's Missionary Society, \$204.37. Total for objects without the parish, \$126.03.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$165.58. Domestic: Domestic missions in general including missions to the Jews, \$135.15. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$29.34. Total for missionary contributions, \$330.07.

Total of contributions, \$10,593.49.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. GEORGE E. OSGOOD, *Rector*.

MATTHEW J. WHITTALL and CHARLES BOOTH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 3; total added, 7; present number, about 30. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 135. Church: Sitzings, about 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$72.30. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at offertory, \$132; pew-rents, \$337.70; total, \$469.70. Increase and improvement of church property, and other parochial objects, including donations for same from the Sunday school and "Parish Aid Society," &c., \$526. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,068.

REMARKS.

This parish, which has had not a very encouraging history for several years, can at this time present a much more favorable report. The present rector took charge in June of last year, and has been much gratified at the fresh interest the members have shown in a prosperous, steady, and harmonious working of the parish; part of which energy is owing to new laborers which have been added to the former "faithful few."

During this time the church has been thoroughly renovated and improved, both within and without, at the expense of about \$580, which sum includes the supplying of all the pews with hymnals at Easter. \$384 of this amount was given by "The Ladies' Parish Aid Society," and the Sunday school, it being the amount saved by them during a number of years past to appropriate to church purposes. One cause for encouragement is that the interest has been maintained in the midst of many uncertainties connected with the manufactories with which nearly all the parishioners are associated. In addition to the duties of this parish, the rector has at one service each Sunday, and at other times as required, acted as assistant to the rector of All Saints' Church, and since November last has held a monthly service at the Asylum for the Chronic Insane in the city.

TRINITY CHURCH, WRENTHAM.

The Rev. CHARLES REMINGTON TALBOT, *Minister*.

DAVID N. FALES and EDMUND J. FELT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Communicants: Added, 2; present number, 32. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$10,000; Sitzings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$22.18. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$94.82; pew-rents, \$400; donations, \$150; other sources, \$66; total, \$710.82. Sunday school, \$5. Received from various sources for payment of debt, \$3,971.49. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,709.49.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$7.80.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$13.60.

Total of contributions, \$4,730.89.

REMARKS.

This parish, during the first half of the Conventional year, was under the faithful care of the late Rev. Frederic A. Flske, of North Attleborough, whose loss here in his native village is most deeply felt. I took charge the eighteenth Sunday after Trinity, since when, I have officiated regularly, exchanging each month for the Holy Communion. Special Lenten services were held three times each week, with a daily service during Holy Week. The attendance was entirely satisfactory. During the past year, through the energy of the people and the generosity of friends outside, the remaining church debt of \$1,000 has been paid, and the church was consecrated Jan. 2. I believe the present prospect of the parish to be most encouraging.

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PERSONAL REPORTS.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D. :

During the past year I have solemnized two funerals, and have aided my clerical brethren, from time to time, as my health would allow, by reading the Service, administering the Holy Communion, and occasionally by preaching.

WM. R. BABCOCK.

NARRAGANSETT PIER, R. I., May 14, 1879.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

During the last Conventional year I have baptized two infants. I also assisted in Divine Service at a meeting of the Eastern Convocation in Andover, in February last. This comprises all the professional work which I have performed during the past twelve months.

Respectfully,

WM. S. BARTLET.

CHELSEA, May 14, A. D. 1879.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have performed no duties in the Diocese of Massachusetts during the year May 14, 1878, to May 9, 1879, having been engaged in presenting, in eleven other dioceses, on forty-nine occasions, the cause of the Church's work in Mexico. My other official acts have been Service or sermon, or both, on nineteen occasions, in the Dioceses of Pittsburgh, Long Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, and Delaware; and one baptism and five burials in Long Island, and one baptism in New York.

Added to the above have been my daily duties as General Secretary of the Mexican League, and Treasurer *pro tem*.

ABBOTT BROWN,

Presbyter P. E. Church, Diocese of Massachusetts.

21 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK CITY, May 9, 1879.

Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D. :

Since my last Annual Report, I have officiated in the public services of the Church one hundred and three times, and preached one hundred times, as follows: Four times in Pennsylvania, eight times in Kansas, twice in Colorado, twice in Ohio, fourteen times in Vermont, fifteen times in the Diocese of Albany, and fifty-five times in Massachusetts.

I have also officiated at one marriage.

Faithfully yours, &c.,

E. H. CANFIELD.

NORTH ADAMS, MASS., May 12, 1879.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

According to the Canon, I beg leave respectfully to report that during the past Convention year I have officiated at divers times, in the Dioceses of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and New Hampshire.

NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN.

CAMBRIDGE, May 15, 1879.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

From the last day of July, 1878, to the 3d April, 1879, my duties at the Boston Lunatic Hospital and House of Correction were interrupted by severe illness; I have now, however, by God's goodness, been enabled to resume my ministrations as heretofore. During the Conventional year I have baptized one infant, united one couple in marriage, and attended two funerals.

Yours very respectfully and sincerely,

JOSEPH H. CLINCH.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, Bishop of Massachusetts :

I would respectfully report my residence unchanged, and my disability. Unable to attend the meeting of the Convention, I can but join in the prayer that the blessing of the Triune God may rest upon this Council of His Church, assembled in His name and presence.

A. CROSWELL.

CAMBRIDGE, May 14, 1879.

To the Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts :

Dear Sir,—All I can report is, that I have been engaged supplying, on Sundays, very generally during the past Conventional year, most of the time in St. Matthew's, South Boston; and in assisting the Chaplain at the House of Correction, during his illness.

I am, yours, very respectfully,

GEORGE DENHAM.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

The undersigned most respectfully reports performance of the duties of the sacred Ministry, on the Sundays and other holy days of the past Ecclesiastical, Conventional, and Christian year, and the following special services: Infant baptism, one; burial, one; celebration of the Holy Communion, seven times, and four times assisted at its celebration.

F. A. FOXCROFT.

CAMBRIDGE, May 13, 1879.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rev. Father in God,—I beg to report that during the past Convention year I have been residing in Oxford. During the time I have been enabled to officiate frequently, both here and elsewhere.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

W. R. GARDNER.

OXFORD, April 17, 1879.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

The undersigned would respectfully report, that since resigning the position of assistant minister in St. John's Parish, Boston Highlands, in September last, he has been seeking to regain his health, broken by too long continued overwork. He trusts that in the coming autumn he may again be permitted to engage in active parochial duties.

EDWIN WALTER GOULD.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., May 2, 1879.

Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D. :

My Dear Bishop,—I send herewith statistics regarding the congregation worshipping in St. John's Memorial Chapel, where I have officiated regularly during the past year, in order that they may be included among the items of Church work in the Diocese. This congregation continues to flourish and the number of members of Harvard University that attend has been as encouraging as in past years. Another, and a considerable element in the usefulness of this chapel is that it is largely attended by persons who have no settled church relations, but will avail themselves of services that are free to all and not of a parochial nature.

As to my other, and my principal duties, of which it becomes me to report to you, they have been performing the functions of Dean and Professor in the Episcopal Theological School. There have been twenty-two men in the classes, of whom ten were candidates for orders in this Diocese, and I am happy to certify to their zeal and proficiency. The prospects of the school continue to be bright as to opportunities for usefulness. A kind friend, John A. Burnham, Esq., has undertaken the erection of a much-needed refectory, which is now in progress, and one munificent benefactor in the past, Robert M. Mason, Esq., left us, at his lamented decease, a generous legacy.

Thanking you for your many manifestations of kindness and interest, I remain, with sentiments of affection and respect,

Yours, faithfully in Christ,

GEO. Z. GRAY.

CAMBRIDGE, May 14, 1879.

Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have to report, that during the last year I have held Divine Service at this post every Sunday, except the first two months (when I was sick and absent), that I have administered the Holy Communion ten (10) times, have baptized ten (10) persons, married three (3) couples, and officiated at three (3) funerals.

Besides paying the expenses of continuing the repairs on the chapel, I have sent forty-seven dollars (\$47) to the yellow-fever sufferers, twenty-six dollars (\$26) to aid St. John's Church, Youngstown, N. Y., and ten dollars (\$10) to the "Contingent Fund" of the Diocese of Virginia.

During Lent I held daily service in the chapel.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant.

OSGOOD E. HERRICK,
Post Chaplain, U. S. Army.

FORTRESS MONROE, VIRGINIA, May 12, 1879.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have, during the past year, officiated in just twenty different churches, missions, and chapels of the Diocese; for the most part in the district of which my own city of Cambridge is the centre, including the city of Boston; in twelve of them once each; in the others more frequently; and in one most of all, the Church of the Advent, Boston, where much work is done for souls by a band of devoted and beloved Mission Priests. It is one of the compensations of a life of scattered ministrations, that it enables one to see something of the earnestness and efficiency of those designated as the working clergy of the Diocese, of which you, Reverend Father, have a more extended observation. I have also performed, in Cambridge, one baptism, four marriages, and seventeen burials.

N. HOPPIN, *Presbyter.*

CAMBRIDGE, May 14, 1879.

The Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

During the first six months of the past Convention year, my official acts were comparatively but few, owing to serious illness which twice involved my absence from Cambridge, and at other times confined me even to my bed at home.

In October I resigned, and with Sunday, Nov. 3, 1878, closed my Rectorship of Christ Church, Cambridge, into which you instituted me on the 25th of Jan., 1876; and my health having since then materially improved, I have officiated whenever and wherever my ministerial services have been called for; for four Sundays in December, in the Diocese of Rhode Island, and, during the last Lent, in Lawrence, Mass. Such of my occasional ministrations as have been in Cambridge, have been entered upon the Register of Christ Church, where my family, and I myself when not on duty elsewhere, continue to worship as parishioners.

My Report for the Parish to the date of my resignation, has been handed to the Wardens, and will be included with their own. My official acts for the entire year have been as follows:—I have read service seventy-two times; preached or made addresses, sixty-nine times; administered the Holy Communion, thirteen times (of which twice have been in private); baptized twelve children (three in private); solemnized three marriages, and officiated at two funerals.

It is due to the Vestry of Christ Church that I should report their kindness in continuing to me the use of the Rectory, where I still reside; and I beg leave also affectionately and gratefully to acknowledge the devotion of my late parishioners, who in various ways, and by continued acts of generous thoughtfulness, have, to the present time, provided, to a great degree, for the support of their late pastor and his family. May He reward them who said "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

Faithfully yours,

WM. CHAUNCY LANGDON.

REPORT FOR CONVENTIONAL YEAR 1878-9 OF GRACE CHURCH, OXFORD.

To the Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D.D. :

The effort lately made, commencing with October, 1877, and ending with the beginning of February of this year—1879—a period of just sixteen months, has proved a very serious failure. In my Report at last Convention, although I indicated a very forlorn condition of things in this parish, yet I expressed hope of a coming renewal of life. But, before the year closed, all hope had expired. The operating causes were various, but chief and lead-

ing were these; the fewness of the Church's real friends, and the unusual poverty of all. Notwithstanding this failure, which at times has appeared to be irremediable, I am still disposed to hope that something may yet be done to quicken this feeble Parish into a breathing existence again. I would not regard my failure as indicating a conclusive hopelessness.

Baptism, adult, one. Marriage, one. Communicants, ten. Offerings for sixteen months, \$160. This is all the money given for any purpose, except \$10.45 for the yellow-fever sufferers in the South. The Ladies' Society, besides, raised about \$200 to pay for the usual incidental expenses of the parish.

OXFORD, MASS.

WM. F. LHOYT.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese:

I beg leave respectfully to report that Providence, with advancing years, has so ordered my goings, that, since I resigned my late Parish, I have seldom rendered other clerical duty save that of assisting a clerical brother in a portion of the Church services on Sundays.

N. W. MUNROE.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese:

I have to report that during the year I have officiated at different churches in Massachusetts, including All Saints' and St. Matthew's, in the city of Worcester; and also in the Diocese of Maine.

G. S. PAINE.

WORCESTER, May 13, 1879.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Paddock:

Agreeable with the requisition of the Canon, I have officiated occasionally and administered the Holy Communion: not so often as I have desired with a holy desire to the comfort of my own soul or that of others, but as often as my services were required.

E. B. PALMER.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese:

I have either read or preached about every Sabbath the past year, rendered some week-day services, and baptized one infant. All this without money or price. Christ has what is better in store for some of His than money for their labors in His vineyard.

DEXTER POTTER.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts:

My Dear Bishop,—During the past year I have resided in Webster, and on most Sundays I have assisted the Rector in the Church services. I have performed full Sunday services once in Fitchburg, and once in Lonsdale, E. I. I have also occasionally supplied in Webster, in the absence of the Rector, and I have now been supplying here since the date of his resignation.

Your obedient Presbyter,

WEBSTER, May 12, 1879.

J. D. REID.

To the Rt. Rev. Bishop Paddock :

My Dear Bishop,—Since our last Annual Convention, I have administered the Holy Communion six times, and buried three persons, and baptized one child.

Yours truly,

SILAS M. ROGERS.

LEE, MASS., May 7, 1879.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

During the past year I have officiated by reading prayers or assisting therein, thirty-five times; by preaching or addresses, twenty-five times; administering the Holy Communion, or assisting, eleven times, and have celebrated one marriage. Much more work could have been performed, but only one invitation has been declined.

Very respectfully,

SAML. R. SLACK.

BOSTON, May 14, A. D. 1879.

To the Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D.D. :

During the past year I have been occupied in teaching. I have officiated in the services of the Church on ten Sundays.

CARLOS SLAFTER.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

I have assisted in the administration of the Holy Communion at Trinity Church, in this city, as in former years, administered baptism to one adult, and performed the burial service once.

EDMUND F. SLAFTER.

BOSTON, May 14, 1879.

Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D.D. :

Since last Convention I have resided with my family at Mystic Bridge, Conn., and have exercised my ministry wherever opportunities offered and circumstances would allow. I have read the Church Service in public forty times, preached twenty-six sermons, baptized two persons, administered the Holy Communion four times, solemnized one marriage, and officiated at one funeral

Very respectfully yours,

O. F. STARKEY.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

During the past year the undersigned has, as usual, performed the duties of his professorship in the Theological School at Cambridge; and, in addition, has since Advent officiated as stated supply of St. Anne's Church, South Lincoln.

P. H. STEENSTRA.

The Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D.D. :

Since my last report, I have been engaged in my clerical duties as Assistant in the parishes of St. George's, Flushing, and St. James's, Newtown, L. I.; and also as Chaplain of St. Paul's School, Riverdale-on-Hudson, N. Y.

EDWARD H. TRUE,
Flushing, L. I.

RIVERDALE-ON-HUDSON, May 12, 1879.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

I have to report, for the past Conventional year, that I have officiated and preached, from Sunday to Sunday, in churches in New York city and its neighborhood. Other official acts will be found recorded in the registers of the parishes where they were performed.

TREADWELL WALDEN.

WHITESTONE, L. I., May 14, 1879.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D. D. :

I have frequently officiated, during the Conventional year, in different churches in the Diocese, including St. Thomas's, Taunton, Christ Church, Quincy, and St. Mark's and the Church of the Messiah, Boston ; have attended two funerals, and have frequently assisted in the celebration of the Holy Communion, but my chief work has been the delivery, on successive Sunday afternoons, of religious lectures in the Union Hall, Boston. They have been preceded by a shortened service, and have been successful in their object, which has been to reach people unattached to any religious organizations, and win them to the Christian life.

JULIUS H. WARD.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

I have officiated occasionally during the Conventional year, in the churches in Cambridge and vicinity, rendering such services as impaired health and strength would permit. I have baptized three infants, solemnized two marriages, and officiated at four funerals.

Respectfully yours,

WM. WARLAND.

CAMBRIDGE, May, 1879.

To the Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

The Rev. J. H. WATERBURY respectfully reports, that he has, for nearly fifteen months, regularly and faithfully discharged his duties as Chaplain of the Massachusetts State Prison, baptized two prisoners, and administered the Holy Communion once.

He has acted as Precentor of Church Music at the Diocesan Council, Conventions, missionary meetings, and parochial choral societies, as he had opportunity.

He has also aided the brethren on Sunday evenings, and preached in halls in the vicinity of the new Concord State Prison.

He may be allowed to express herewith his gratitude to God and his Bishop, for blessings and favors connected with his official duties.

The Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D. :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,—Since the last Convention I have served constantly in the office of the priesthood, officiating chiefly in the towns of Marlborough, Westborough, and Hopkinton.

I am, faithfully yours,

PELHAM WILLIAMS.

SOUTHBOROUGH, MASS., May 9, A. D. 1879.

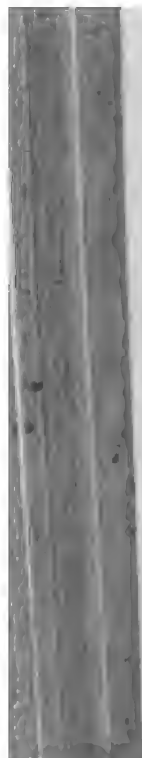
To the Bishop of Massachusetts :

During the past year I have performed two hundred and forty-three (243) services, lectured frequently in Lent and at other seasons, catechised or

addressed the Sunday school nearly every Sunday, taken part in various convocational and similar meetings, made about three hundred pastoral visits, and have done a little press-writing and lecturing, the latter usually for some Church object.

WM. C. WINSLOW.

BOSTON, 429 BEACON STREET, May 14, 1879.



Newton	Messiah	J. Cole	-	-	-	1	25	-	31	1,978 45	10 00
North Adams	St. Mary's	H. Muckay	-	-	-	1	153†	-	85†	1,978 45	278 84
Northampton	St. John's	-	-	-	-	3	34†	-	83†	-	-
North Attleborough	Grace	J. S. Pearce	5	-	-	1	30	2	79	1,460 00	56 51
Otis	St. Paul's	A. E. George	1	1	1	1	41	2	87	3,024 14	77 24
Oxford	Grace	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
Pesbody	St. Paul's	G. Walker	10	10	3	4	43	-	36†	586 16	27 35
Pittsfield	St. Stephen's	W. McGladrey	7	4	11	12	180	6	43	3,441 13	104 25
Plymouth	Christ	J. A. Sanderson	2	2	4	9	30	2	32	1,063 70	17 17
Quincy	Christ	T. A. Snively	22	-	17	22	190	3	131	3,262 63	956 07
Rochdale	Grace	S. R. Bailey	-	-	-	-	64	-	48	720 00	11 00
Salen	St. Peter's	J. P. Frank	10	2	12	7	175	4	3	3,523 30	342 13
Sheffield	Christ	C. Avey, D. D.	11	23	34	15	293	8	12	5,489 57	1,342 24
Somerville	Emmanuel	S. P. Parker, D. D.	3	2	5	2	38	-	5	541 16	246 00
South Adams	St. Thomas's	N. K. Bishop	30	5	35	17	91	3	85	1,537 28	30 00
Southborough	St. Mark's	G. W. Durell	9	-	9	4	50	1	53	1,430 00	87 00
South Groveland	St. James's	A. B. Jennings	7	1	8	14	45	2	3	1,011 55	390 05
South Lincoln	St. Anne's	J. L. T. Coolidge, D. D.	16	4	20	6	45	4	4	1,520 89	25 50
Springfield	Christ	W. L. Himes	1	1	2	2	57	-	54†	647 00	-
Stockbridge	St. Paul's	J. C. Brooks	16	-	16	4	503	3	17	39,189 30	378 40
Swansea	Christ	A. Lawrence	14	4	18	4	136	4	16	2,763 64	770 27
Taunton	St. John's	W. T. Fitch	1	-	1	-	13	-	28†	411 50	17 15
Van Deusenville	St. Thomas's	S. S. Spear	7	7	18	3	73	2	12	1,713 76	112 50
Waketfield	Trinity	C. H. Leavoy	16	2	18	9	300	8	16	6,751 12	1,339 31
Waltham	Emmanuel	D. G. Anderson	2	-	2	-	42	2	34	770 59	71 02
Webster	Reconciliation	G. Walker	-	-	-	-	21	-	2	228 06	12 16
Westfield	Atonement	T. F. Fales	19	3	22	11	167	8	23	4,637 93	245 64
Weymouth	Trinity	R. S. Howard, D. D.	6	2	8	7	78	3	124	2,269 38	410 30
Wilkinsonville	St. John's	B. F. Gooty	2	-	2	5	44	1	61	2,269 38	410 30
Williamstown	St. John's	J. S. Jerome	3	1	4	2	48	1	68	605 77	14 48
Woburn	Trinity	J. S. Ellis	6	-	6	-	60	1	79	1,057 42	112 61
Wood's Holl	Messiah	J. F. Winkley	16	-	16	18	45†	-	25†	698 56	107 48
Worcester	St. Matthew's	H. Carleton	41	1	48	22	39	5	4	981 99	57 00
Wrentham	Trinity	W. R. Huntington, D. D.	9	9	18	6	300	10	31	1,303 62	963 10
		G. E. Osgood	4	-	4	-	30	2	5	9,637 39	956 10
		C. R. Tabor	-	-	-	-	32	1	31	1,068 00	-
			1,625 303	1,928	1,070	1,298 681	16,522	503	1,037	4,709 49	21 40
										\$397,577 12	\$57,907 47

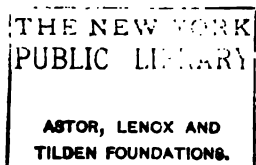
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APPENDIX B.

CR. THE DIOCESE OF MASS., *in account with* C. H. LEAROYD, *Treas.*

By assessment of	Grace Church, Amherst,	\$10 00
"	of Christ Church, Andover,	15 00
"	of Church of the Messiah, Andoverdale,	5 00
"	of St. Peter's Church, Beverly,	10 00
"	of Church of the Advent, Boston,	30 00
"	of Christ Church, Boston,	15 00
"	of Emmanuel Church, Boston,	5 00
"	of Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston,	17 00
"	of Church of the Messiah, Boston,	20 00
"	of St. Paul's Church, Boston,	60 00
"	of Trinity Church, Boston,	30 00
"	of St. Margaret's Church, Brighton,	8 00
"	for 1877-78,	12 00
"	of St. John's Church, Charlestown,	15 00
"	of St. Mary's Church, Dorchester,	10 00
"	of St. John's Church, East Boston,	10 00
"	of St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain,	25 00
"	of St. James's Church, Roxbury,	30 00
"	of St. John's Church, Roxbury,	15 00
"	of St. Matthew's Church, South Boston,	20 00
"	of St. Paul's Church, Brookline,	25 00
"	of Christ Church, Cambridge,	20 00
"	of St. James's Church, Cambridge,	5 00
"	of St. Luke's Church, Chelsea, for 1877-78,	18 00
"	of Calvary Church, Danvers,	4 00
"	of St. Paul's Church, Dedham,	20 00
"	of Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham,	8 00
"	of St. Philip's, Easthampton,	4 50
"	of Church of the Ascension, Fall River,	16 00
"	of Grace Church, Fiskdale,	10 00
"	of Christ Church, Fitchburg,	18 00
"	of St. John's Church, Gloucester,	3 00
"	of St. James's Church, Great Barrington,	12 00
"	of St. James's Church, Greenfield,	12 00
"	of St. Andrew's Church, Hanover,	12 00
"	of Trinity Church, Haverhill,	15 00
"	of St. Paul's Church, Holyoke,	14 00
"	of Church of the Ascension, Ipswich,	5 00
"	of Luke's Church, Lanesborough,	8 30
"	of Grace Church, Lawrence,	24 00
"	of St. John's Church, Lawrence,	15 00
"	of St. George's Church, Lee,	6 00
"	of Church of our Saviour, Longwood, for 1877-78,	30 00
"	of St. Anne's Church, Lowell,	20 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$733 00

APPENDIX B.

THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS, *in account*

	Amount brought forward,	\$733 00
"	of John's Church, Lowell,	14 00
"	" " " " " " " " " "	21 00
"	of Stephen's Church, Lynn,	15 00
"	of Paul's Church, Malden,	11 00
"	of Michael's Church, Marblehead,	8 00
"	of Grace Church, Medford,	20 00
"	of Trinity Church, Melrose,	8 00
"	of Unity Church, Milford,	9 00
"	of St. John's Church, Millville,	5 00
"	of Grace Church, New Bedford,	20 00
"	of Grace Church, Newton,	25 00
"	of St. Mary's Church, Newton,	15 00
"	of Grace Church, North Attleborough,	5 50
"	of St. John's Church, North Adams,	10 00
"	of St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield, for 1877-78,	30 00
"	of Christ Church, Quincy,	13 00
"	of Grace Church, Salem,	10 00
"	of St. Peter's Church, Salem,	20 00
"	of Christ Church, Sheffield,	2 50
"	of St. Mark's Church, Southborough,	8 00
"	of St. Anne's Church, South Lincoln,	5 00
"	of Christ Church, Springfield,	30 00
"	of St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge,	15 00
"	of St. John's Church, Taunton,	9 00
"	of St. Thomas's Church, Taunton,	25 00
"	of Trinity Church, Van Dusen ville,	3 00
"	of Christ Church, Waltham,	13 00
"	of Church of the Reconciliation, Webster,	15 00
"	of Trinity Church, Weymouth,	8 00
"	of Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl,	8 00
"	of All Saints' Church, Worcester,	40 00
"	of Trinity Church, Wrentham,	3 64
"	of St. Paul's Church, Hopkinton,	5 00
"	of St. Luke's Church, Chelsea,	12 00
"	of St. John's Church, Wilkinsonville,	5 00
"	of Christ Church, Hyde Park, for 1877-78,	15 00
"	" " " " " " " " " "	5 00
"	of Church of our Saviour, Longwood,	20 00
"	of St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield,	20 00
"	of St. Paul's Church, Newburyport,	18 00
"	of Emmanuel Church, Somerville,	10 00
"	of St. Thomas's Church, East Somerville,	6 00
		\$1,297 44
Balance from last year,		334 89
		\$1,632 33

The following Parishes have failed to comply with the Canon on the Diocesan Seal -

St. James's, Amesbury; St. John's, Ashfield; St. Mary for Sailors, Boston; All Saints', Dorchester; Trinity, Bridgewater; St. Peter's, Cambridge; Trinity, Lenox; St. Paul's, Nantucket; St. Paul's, Natick; St. John's, Northampton; Christ, Rock-
land; St. Mark's, South Adams; St. James's, South Groveland; Christ, Swansea;
Emmanuel, Wakefield; Atonement, Westfield; Trinity, Woburn.

with CHARLES H. LEAROLD, *Treasurer*.

DR.

1878.			
May	23,	To cash paid bill of Rev. Wm. H. Brooks, D.D.,	\$9 22
	29,	" " of Sexton St. Paul's Church, Boston,	40 94
June	7,	" " of Rev. J. H. Waterbury,	10 00
	11,	" " of Secretary of Convention,	313 00
July	6,	" " of Geo. B. Watson,	11 75
	6,	" " of Rand, Avery & Co.,	38 75
Sept.	6,	" " of A. Williams & Co.,	36 00
Oct.	14,	" " of Rand, Avery & Co.,	370 60
1879.			
March	5,	" " of Rev. H. Burroughs, D.D.,	5 00
April	2,	" " of Treasurer,	100 00
	25,	" " of postage, stationery, and printing,	21 95
	25,	" " of Bishop Paddock,	24 98
	25,	" " of Rand, Avery & Co.,	37 25
	25,	" " of Rand, Avery & Co.,	75 00
	25,	" " of Rev. Jos. Jenks,	21 01
May	3,	" " of M. H. Mallory & Co.,	3 00
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Balance on hand,			\$1,118 45
			513 88

\$1,632 33

REPORT OF JOSEPH W. CLARK,

TREASURER OF THE EPISCOPAL CLERICAL FUND, BOSTON, MAY 13, 1873.

1873. May 21. Cash on hand as reported,		\$619 73
Income from Investments,	\$261 67	
Convention Collection,	100 13	
Donation from Churches and others,	638 14	
From Estate of W. W. Morland, M. D.,	1,060 00	
	<u>2,249 94</u>	

\$2,249 94

PAID OUT DURING THE YEAR.

To Beneficiary No. 5,	\$300 00	
" " 4,	300 00	
" " 1,	200 00	
" " 3,	200 00	
" " 2,	150 00	
" " 6,	100 00	
To \$900 United States 4 per cent. Bonds,	901 12	
To Rev. Charles H. Babcock, Card returned,	6 00	
	<u>2,156 12</u>	

\$2,156 12

1873, May 13. Balance on hand,* \$713 86

RECEIPTS IN DETAIL AS PER CASH BOOK.

1873.		
May 24.	From Treasurer of St. Paul's Church, Boston, offering at Annual Convention, cash, \$96.13; card, Rev. Chas. H. Babcock, \$5.00,	\$100 13
June 22.	Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl,	40 00
July 3.	Coupons, Burlington and Missouri, in Nebraska, Bond,	40 00
July 3.	Coupons, United States Bond, \$15, and Premium ten cents,	15 10
Aug. 8.	Rev. Alex. H. Vinton, D. D., Pomfret, Conn,	200 00
June 25.	Interest on deposit at New England Trust Co.,	3 50
Oct. 9.	Coupons, Burlington and Missouri Land-Grant Bonds,	70 00
Oct. 21.	St. Thomas's Church, Taunton,	46 00
Nov. 6.	On account of legacy of W. W. Morland, M. D.,	700 00
Dec. 26.	St. Paul's Church, Boston,	145 45
Dec. 27.	Grace Church, Newton,	5 00
Dec. 27.	St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge,	40 46
Dec. 23.	Grace Church, Amherst,	17 45
Dec. 31.	St. Michael's, Marblehead,	7 45
1872.		
Jan. 1.	St. Andrew's Church, Hanover,	37 61
Jan. 2.	Coupons, Burlington and Missouri, in Nebraska,	36 00
Jan. 6.	Christ Church, Andover,	12 00
Jan. 7.	St. Paul's Church, Brookline,	103 04
Jan. 8.	Church of Our Saviour, Longwood,	66 00
Jan. 10.	St. John's Church, Framingham,	10 22
Jan. 10.	Coupons, United States Bond,	15 00
Jan. 10.	Interest on deposit New England Trust Co.,	3 07
Jan. 15.	R. T. Paine, Jr., Boston,	10 00
Jan. 29.	Church of the Messiah, Boston,	60 24
Feb. 7.	St. James's Church, Greenfield,	5 00
Mar. 15.	St. Luke's Church, Lanesboro',	1 92
April 8.	Christ Church, Cambridge,	3 35
April 18.	St. Paul's, Dedham,	15 00
April 23.	Coupons, Burlington and Missouri, Land-Grant Bonds,	70 00
April 30.	Executor of the Estate of W. W. Morland, M. D.,	350 00
April 30.	St. James', Cambridge,	11 95
April 30.	Interest Check United States 4 per cent. Bonds,	9 00

Total, \$2,249 94

* Three hundred and fifty dollars of this balance (amount from Morland estate) is reserved for investment.

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR THE YEAR 1878-79.

Treasurer's Statement.

		RECEIPTS.	No. of Offerings.	Amounts.
From Amesbury,	.	.	1	\$4 00
Amherst,	.	.	2	30 05
Andover,	.	.	2	36 00
Arlington,	.	.	1	20 00
Ashfield,	.	.	2	17 67
Beverly,	.	.	1	5 00
Boston, Advent,	.	.	1	104 00
" All Saints',	.	.	2	20 10
" Christ,	.	.	2	50 00
" Emmanuel,	.	.	2	1,143 04
" Evangelist,	.	.	1	6 27
" Grace, South Boston,	.	.	1	12 72
" Good Shepherd,	.	.	2	40 00
" Messiah,	.	.	4	112 00
" St James's, Highlands,	.	.	1	41 81
" St. John's, Highlands,	.	.	1	47 11
" St. John's, Charlestown,	.	.	1	23 25
" St. John's, East Boston,	.	.	1	20 00
" St. John's, Jamaica Plain,	.	.	3	74 00
" St. Margaret's, Brighton,	.	.	2	20 00
" St. Mark's,	.	.	1	43 75
" St. Mary's, Dorchester,	.	.	2	28 17
" St. Mary, for Sailors,	.	.	1	7 00
" St. Matthew's, South Boston,	.	.	1	10 00
" St. Paul's,	.	.	1	534 94
" St. Paul's Missionary Meeting, May 13, 1879,	.	.		168 78
" St. Stephen's,	.	.	2	8 70
" Trinity,	.	.	2	1,454 00
Bridgewater,	.	.	2	17 11
Brockton,	.	.	2	9 00
Brookline,	.	.	2	196 90
Cambridge, Ascension,	.	.	2	21 68
" Christ,	.	.	2	38 14
" St. James's,	.	.	2	19 14
" St. John's Memorial,	.	.	1	71 75
" St. Peter's,	.	.	2	60 00
Chelmsford,	.	.	1	5 70
Chelsea,	.	.	1	16 15
Cherry Valley,	.	.	1	2 00
Chicopee,	.	.		
Clinton,	.	.	2	41 00
Danvers,	.	.	3	15 30
Dedham, St. Paul's,	.	.	2	160 00
" Good Shepherd,	.	.	1	5 75
Easthampton,	.	.	2	10 00
" Sunday-school,	.	.		3 00
Fall River,	.	.	2	50 00
Fiskdale,	.	.	1	1 00
Fitchburg,	.	.	1	52 00
" Sunday-school,	.	.		19 00
Framingham,	.	.	2	30 00
Gloucester,	.	.	2	29 18
Great Barrington,	.	.	1	14 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>				\$4,950 04

	No. of Offerings.	Amounts.
<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$4,950 04
From Greenfield,	2	30 00
" Sunday-school,		5 00
Hanover,	3	50 00
Haverhill, St. John's Evangelist,	1	2 00
" Trinity,	3	57 00
Holyoke,	2	13 00
Hopkinton,	2	12 00
Hyde Park,	1	6 00
Ipswich,	1	5 00
Lanesborough,	1	3 15
Lawrence, Grace,	2	50 00
" St. John's,	2	38 00
Lee,	1	7 00
Lenox,	1	33 00
Lincoln,		
Longwood,	2	221 35
Lowell, St. Anne's,	4	112 00
" St. John's,	2	38 00
" House of Prayer,	1	10 00
Lynn,	1	31 00
Malden,	5	50 00
Marblehead,	2	36 15
Marlborough,		
Medford,		
Melrose,	1	3 50
Millbury Mission,	1	1 25
Millford,	1	4 68
Millville,	1	10 00
Nantucket,	2	25 08
Natick,	1	10 00
New Bedford, Grace,	2	52 78
" St. James's,	2	12 00
Newburyport,	3	63 47
Newton, Grace,	3	62 93
" Grace, Sunday-school,		2 83
" Messiah,	2	10 00
" St. Mary's,	2	21 34
North Adams,	1	17 00
North Attleborough,	2	18 00
Northampton,	2	15 00
Otis,		
Peabody,	2	14 84
Pittsfield,	1	50 00
Plymouth,	2	9 00
Quincy,	2	48 00
Rochdale,	2	6 41
Salem, Grace,	1	28 00
" St. Peter's,	3	100 00
Sheffield,	2	105 00
Somerville, Emmanuel,	1	5 00
" St. Thomas's,	1	40 00
South Adams,		
Southborough,	2	84 25
South Groveland,	1	5 00
Springfield,	3	102 40
Stockbridge,	2	100 00
Swansea,	2	17 15
Taunton, St. John's,	2	24 95
" St. Thomas's,	3	101 59
Van Deusenville,	1	36 79
Wakefield,	2	4 16
Waltham,	2	50 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$7,022 25

	<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	No. of Offerings.	Amounts.
From Ware,			\$7,022 25
Webster,		3	202 94
Westborough,		1	8 00
Westfield,		1	6 00
Weymouth,		2	24 86
Wilkinsonville,		4	36 93
Williamstown,			
Woburn, Sunday-school,		1	5 00
Wood's Holl,		2	55 23
Worcester, All Saints',		3	165 65
" St. Matthew's,			
Wrentham,		1	13 60
			<hr/>
			\$7,540 46
Individual gifts,			592 10
Legacy of Miss Sally Curtis, Lanesborough,			111 50
Legacy of Miss Lucy Curtis, Lanesborough,			287 42
Special gifts for extinguishing debt of Trinity Church, Wrentham,			500 00
Massachusetts Church Missionary Society,			40 00
Individual gifts to extinguish the debt of the Board, May 14, 1879,			432 43
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			\$9,503 91

PAYMENTS.

To Arlington, St. John's,	\$200 00
Ashfield, St. John's,	300 00
Bridgewater, Trinity,	300 00
Brighton, St. Margaret's,	200 00
Brockton, St. Paul's,	249 99
Cambridge, Ascension,	250 00
Chelmsford, St. Anne's,	100 00
Cherry Valley, Mission,	100 00
Clinton, Good Shepherd,	400 00
Danvers, Calvary,	200 00
Dorchester Lower Mills, All Saints',	200 00
Easthampton, St. Philip's,	200 00
Fall River,	183 33
Framingham,	150 00
Gloucester,	400 00
Lee,	240 62
Millford,	96 84
Millbury,	100 00
Millville,	208 34
Nantucket,	400 00
Natick,	500 00
North Attleborough,	226 00
Ods,	6 00
Oxford,	225 00
Peabody,	250 00
Plymouth,	279 80
Rochdale,	300 00
Sheffield,	250 00
Somerville,	250 00
Van Dusenville,	100 00
Wakefield,	200 00
Westfield,	377 77
Wilkinsonville,	200 00
Woburn,	200 00
Wrentham,	150 00
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Publication and distribution of "The Diocese,"	\$7,991 69
Expense account,	289 83
Increase of Guarantee Fund,	310 42
Expense of Missionary Meetings,	398 92
Extinguishment of debt of Trinity Church, Wrentham,	13 00
	500 00

\$9,503 91

J. S. BLATCHFORD, Treasurer.

**SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED
CLERGYMEN OF THE P. E. CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF MASS.**

Schedule of Property, April 1, 1879.

CHARITY FUND.

	Par Value.	Market Value.
Policy No. 3,854 Massachusetts Hospital Life Ins. Co., . .	\$5,000 00	\$5,000 00
7 Bonds Eastern Railroad, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ per ct., Nos. 8,705 to 8,711, . .	7,000 00	4,900 00
4 " New Bedford Railroad, Nos. 182 to 185,	4,000 00	4,000 00
4 shares Massachusetts National Bank,	1,000 00	1,040 00
7 " Washington " "	700 00	870 00
14 " Boston " "	1,400 00	1,300 00
20 " Traders' " "	2,000 00	1,600 00
20 " Webster " "	2,000 00	1,900 00
18 " Second " "	1,800 00	2,320 00
20 " National Bank of North America,	2,000 00	1,800 00
	<hr/> \$26,900 00	<hr/> \$24,730 00

ANNUITY FUND.

Policy No. 4,245 Massachusetts Hospital Life Ins. Co., . .	\$8,130 46	\$8,130 46
" No. 3,848 " "	14,074 28	14,074 28
3 Bonds, United States, registered, 1881, 15,909-15,911, . .	3,000 00	3,180 00
2 " " " 1867, 6,118-6,119, called, April 4, 1879,	2,000 00	2,000 00
1 Bond, " " 1880, No. 7,333,	1,000 00	1,040 00
1 " " " 1881, No. 3,739,	800 00	530 00
1 " " coupon, 1881, No. 39,809,	500 00	530 00
3 Bonds Chicago 7 per ct. Sewerage, 1,306, 1,336, 78 B, . .	3,000 00	3,300 00
3 " " Water, 1,920-1,657,	3,000 00	3,300 00
5 " Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Ind. Rail- road First Mortgage S. F., Nos. 1,127 to 1,131, . .	5,000 00	5,000 00
2 " City of Newport, Ky., Water, 7 3-10, Nos. 74, 75, . .	2,000 00	2,000 00
1 Bond, Boston 5 per ct., No. 5,186,	1,000 00	1,030 00
1 " Boston 6 per ct., Water, No. 647,	1,000 00	1,050 00
1 " Massachusetts 5 per ct.,	1,000 00	1,100 00
5 shares Great Falls Manuf. Co.,	500 00	450 00
26 " Atlantic Mills,	2,600 00	3,100 00
Mortgage Note of F. H. Stimpson, trustee,	750 00	750 00
	<hr/> \$49,054 74	<hr/> \$51,564 74

DR. **HOWARD STOCKTON, *Treasurer, in account with the Society for***

1878.		Charity.	Annuity.
May 1,	To balance,		\$766 29
1,	Contribution from Christ Church, Waltham, . .	\$5 00	
6,	“ from St. James’s Church, North Cambridge,		
13,	“ from Church of the Messiah, Boston, . .	8 49	
20,	“ from St. Thomas’s Church, Taunton, .	1 02	
Aug. 20,	“ from Church of the Messiah, Wood’s Holl,	50 00	
Nov. 22,	“ from Grace Church, Lawrence, . .	24 00	
Dec. 5,	“ from St. John’s Memorial Chapel, Cambridge,	50 00	
5,	“ from Christ Church, Quincy, . .	8 65	
12,	“ from All Saints’ Church, Worcester, .	14 46	
12,	“ from Christ Church, Hyde Park, .	7 00	
30,	Annuity paid by Grace Church, Newton, for Rev. Geo. Walker,		5 00
1879.			
Jan. 13,	Contribution from Trinity Church, Weymouth, .	6 25	
Feb. 24,	“ from Church of our Saviour, Longwood,	38 15	
April 2,	Dividends and interest for the year ending April 2, 1879,	1,363 81	2,365 75
2,	Payments for membership, for the year ending April 2, 1879,	24 00	
2,	Payments for annuities for the year ending April 2, 1879,		495 00
2,	Balance,	309 44	
		\$1,924 97	\$3,632 04

Boston, April 15, 1879.

The undersigned have examined the foregoing account, and find it to be correctly cast and properly vouched, and that the balance is correct, namely, \$228.42, which amount is in the Columbian National Bank. They have also seen the evidences of the property belonging to the Society, in the hands of the Treasurer, and deposited in the Union Safe Deposit Vaults, amounting in all, at par value, to the sum of \$75,954.74, as per annexed schedule, and find them correct, as stated.

JOS. S. FAY, }
F. C. FOSTER, } *Auditing Committee.*

the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

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1878.		Charity.	Annuity.
May 1,	By balance,	\$338 95	
June 5,	paid for seal,	23 00	
Dec. 10,	" one Bond, Massachusetts, regist'd, 5 per ct.,		\$1,114 17
1879.			
Jan. 1,	Addition to Policy 3,848, Mass. Hosp. Life Ins. Co.,		573 77
1,	" " 4,245, " " " "		331 46
13,	Policy of Rev. W. R. Babcock, paid in full and cancelled,		678 78
13,	Policy of Rev. T. G. Carver, D.D., paid in full and cancelled,		20 00
April 2,	Collections and expenses for the year,	3 02	1 00
2,	Payments for the relief of widows and orphans,	1,560 00	
2,	Annuities paid during the year,		375 00
2,	Balance, cash on hand,		537 86

\$1,924 97 \$3,632 04

H. STOCKTON, *Treasurer.*

APPENDIX C.

I Standing Order of Business and Rules of Order of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY OF THE SESSION.

A. M.

At the hour appointed for the opening of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, when the order of procedure shall be as follows:—

I. 1. The Lord's Prayer, and the "Prayer to be used at the Meetings of Conventions."

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats and votes, and of those entitled only to seats in the Convention. He shall then call the names of Parishes, and receive certificates, as by Sect. 4, Canon 2, Title I.

3. The President shall appoint a Committee on Qualifications, to whom the list of the Clergy and the credentials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred.

II. Morning Prayer, and Sermon or Charge, and the administration of the Holy Communion.

III. 1. Immediately after Divine Service, the Committee on Qualifications shall report. The Convention shall act at once and without debate upon all undisputed names and credentials. All questions of membership raised by the Committee or by the Convention shall be laid aside temporarily.

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Lay Delegates, as the same shall have been approved by the Convention.

3. A constitutional quorum of both Orders being present, the President shall declare the Convention organized for business.

4. The election of a Secretary.

5. The reading of the Rules of Order of the last Convention.

6. The appointment by the President of five Standing Committees; viz., A Committee on the Admission of New Parishes; A Committee on the Constitution and Canons,—to consist each of five members, three Clergymen and two Laymen; an Executive Committee, for nominating the Preachers of Sermons before this Body, and for recommending the time and place for

holding the next Convention, — to consist of three members, two Clergymen and one Layman; a Committee on Unfinished Business; and a Committee on Finance, to consist each of three members, one Clergyman and two Laymen.

7. The receiving and referring of papers in respect to the admission of new Parishes.

8. A recess shall be ordered.

P. M.

IV. Report of the Committee on Qualifications, on Certificates and Documents laid aside. The Convention shall take immediate action. Subsequent Reports of the Committee on Qualifications shall be in order at any time.

V. 1. The Annual Address of the Bishop, unless he shall prefer another time for its delivery.

2. Reference of matters therein contained, if so ordered, to Committees.

3. Presentation of subjects by resolutions, to be referred without debate to Standing or Special Committees.

VI. Reports and actions upon them, in the following order: —

1. Parochial Reports to be received by the Bishop.

2. Report from the Committee on New Parishes, the Admission of the Parishes, and the Reception of their Lay Delegates.

3. Report from the Standing Committee.

4. Report from the Diocesan Board of Missions.

5. Reports from the Convocations.

6. Reports from Special Committees appointed at the preceding Convention.

7. Report from the Treasurer of the Convention.

8. Report from the Registrar of the Convention.

9. Report from the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

10. Report from the Episcopal Church Association.

11. Report from Trustees of Fund for the Erection of Churches, etc.

12. Report from the Trustees of Donations.

13. Report from the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society.

14. Report from the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

15. Report from the Episcopal Clerical Fund.

16. Reports from any other Church or Charitable Societies recognized by the Convention.

17. Reports from any of the Standing Committees of the Convention, in their order, as in III. 6. If any report be not ready in the order prescribed above, more time may be allowed; and it shall be presented and be in order at the first vacancy in the regular business after it shall be prepared.

VII. Miscellaneous business.

VIII. Adjournment to the second day.

SECOND DAY OF THE SESSION.

IX. 1. Morning Prayer at 9 A. M.

2. Reading of Minutes of the first day, and action upon them.

3. The calling of the roll.

X. 1. The finishing of the business which was under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Convention.

2. The disposal of unfinished business in the order above prescribed for the first day.

XI. 1. The Standing Committees shall be called in their order: reports may be received from any of them, and action may be taken thereon.

2. Reports of Special or other Committees on matters referred to them during the session, and action thereon.

XII. Miscellaneous business.

XIII. Elections, to be proceeded with at 11 o'clock, A. M., in the following order:—

1. Of Treasurer of the Convention.
 2. Of Registrar.
 3. Of Deputies to the General Convention.
 4. Of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.
 5. Selection of persons to be nominated to the General Convention, or to the Board of Trustees, as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.
 6. Election of Members of the Diocesan Board of Missions.
 7. Of Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.
 8. Of Committee on entertaining the Clerical Members of the Convention.
- XIV. Miscellaneous business.
- XV. Adjournment to the third day, if the Convention be prolonged.

THIRD OR OTHER SUBSEQUENT DAY OF THE SESSION.

XVI. 1. Morning prayer, reading, etc., of the Minutes, reception of new members, calling of the roll, and finishing of business under consideration at last adjournment, as on the second day.

2. The disposal of the unfinished business of the Convention, in the order above prescribed.

XVII. When the Convention shall be prepared to adjourn without day, there shall be reading of the Minutes, not already approved, and action thereon; then, after Prayers and Benediction by the President, the Convention shall stand so adjourned, without day.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

No member shall absent himself from the Convention, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the Convention, nor more than once, until others desiring to speak shall have spoken.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put shall vote, unless he be personally interested in the question, or be excused by the Convention for reasons assigned.

RULE II. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE III. No motion shall be considered as before the Convention, unless seconded by a member not belonging to the same Parish with the mover; and every motion shall, if required, be reduced to writing, and the name of the mover appended.

RULE IV. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read, and entered on the Minutes, unless otherwise determined by the Convention; and, if accompanied by resolutions, the question shall be on adopting them.

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form of Constitution and By-Laws hereto appended. An important requirement of the Constitution of the Diocese is, however, first to be noted ; viz.,—

ARTICLE 12.

ADMISSION OF A PARISH INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. To entitle a Parish to admission into union with the Convention, such Parish shall submit to the Convention a certified copy of its Articles of Association, or other satisfactory evidence of its organization (or, if specially incorporated, of its Charter), and of its Constitution and By-Laws; in which it must be declared that such Parish accedes to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship, the Constitution and Canons, of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese; and such Parish shall lay before the Convention written evidence, subscribed by the Wardens and Vestry, that it has been duly organized as such for the space of one year, and during that time has held regular public services.

SECT. 2. Copies of said Articles of Association or Charter and of the Constitution and By-Laws of such Parish, together with the circumstances and need of its organization, must also be submitted to the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese at least one month before the Annual Session of the Convention, and be approved by them respectively; or, if not so approved, he or they shall report to the Convention the reasons in writing of such disapproval. The whole subject, with all the documents, shall be referred to a special committee of three Clerical and three Lay Members of the Convention to report thereon.

The Resolution and the recommended Form of Constitution and By-Laws here follow :—

Resolved, That, in order to secure as much uniformity as local circumstances will permit, and also to place the management of Parish affairs on a wise and just basis, the following Form of Constitution and By-Laws is recommended :—

CONSTITUTION.

WHEREAS, The undersigned have associated themselves together for the purpose of worshipping Almighty God according to the faith and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, and have for that purpose formed a Parish at

in _____ they therefore declare
the following to be the objects, conditions, and articles of their said association; viz.,—

First. The name of this Parish shall be "The Rector, Church-Wardens, and Vestrymen of _____," or, "The Parish of _____."

Second. This Parish acknowledges itself to be a member of and to belong to the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and in the Diocese of Massachusetts. As such, it accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of said Church, and acknowledges the authority of the same accordingly.

Third. Any male person of the age of twenty-one years who has subscribed to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Parish and who has aided in main

RULE V. When a question is before the Convention, it shall be in order — 1, To lay on the table; 2, To postpone to a day certain; 3, To commit; 4, To amend; 5, To postpone indefinitely: and motions for any of these proceedings shall have precedence in the order in which they are here named, and a question on any of these shall be decided before the original motion.

RULE VI. If the question under debate contains distinct propositions, the same shall be divided at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

RULE VII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order; but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter, may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

If a motion to lay on the table an amendment be carried, the matter before the Convention shall be proceeded with as if no such amendment had been offered.

RULE VIII. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

RULE IX. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking, and, if unqualified, shall be decided without debate.

RULE X. All questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Convention.

RULE XI. Record shall be made upon the minutes of every motion or resolution which is put upon its passage, or upon which any action allowed by Rule V. shall have been taken; but, with the consent of the Convention, the mover may withdraw a motion or resolution at any time before such action has been taken, or it has been put upon its passage; in which case it shall not be entered on the Minutes.

RULE XII. An address or communication from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

RULE XIII. A question having been decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, nor unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority on the original decision.

RULE XIV. In elections by ballot the polls shall be closed when the Tellers or Committee appointed to count the ballots withdraw from the room in which the Convention is held; and no clerical or lay members shall be allowed to vote after that time, except by direct permission of the Convention on the application in form of each member desiring so to vote; and the reasons of his not having previously voted shall be stated by him to the Convention before his application is entertained.

RULE XV. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

RULE XVI. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

RULE XVII. The Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention.

RULE XVIII. For the suspension of any part of the Standing Order of Business, or of any of the Rules of Order, the consent of two-thirds of the members present shall be necessary.

GUIDE IN ORGANIZING NEW PARISHES.

A resolution of Convention (Journal of 1871, pp. 45, 46, and 196) recommends as a guide to new Parishes in organizing the



taining public worship therein for a period of twelve months immediately preceding any meeting, either by regular attendance thereon, or by pecuniary aid in hiring a sitting, or otherwise, shall be considered a member of the Parish, and entitled to vote in all its affairs while he continues such member; but no member who shall disclaim or refuse conformity to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid shall be eligible to any office or function in this Parish, or be entitled to vote in its affairs.

Fourth. The Rector of this Parish shall be elected by the members thereof, unless the By-Laws otherwise provide; but no person shall be eligible to that office unless he shall have had Episcopal ordination, and unless he be in full standing with the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid, and recognized as such by the Bishop of this Diocese, or, in case of a vacancy, by the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Fifth. All the property of this Parish shall be taken and held subject to the control and disposition of the Vestry of the same, but shall not be sold or conveyed without the vote of the Parish; but the rents, revenues, and incomes of the same shall be applied from time to time to the support of the Rector or Minister thereof, and for the erection and repairs of the church, churchyard, parsonage, and other buildings belonging to the same, and other necessary Parish charges, and to no other use or purpose whatever.

Sixth. This Constitution may be amended as follows: Any proposed amendment shall be submitted to a meeting of the Vestry, and upon its recommendation shall be submitted to a meeting of the Parish, and, if approved by the same, shall be submitted to the next Diocesan Convention, and upon its approval shall be deemed and taken to be a part of this Constitution.

BY-LAWS.

SECTION 1. The annual meeting shall be held on Monday in Easter Week, in the church, chapel, place of worship, or such place as the Wardens may appoint, at which meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, any business may be transacted without any previous notice thereof. Notice of this meeting shall be posted seven days prior thereto on the church door, and given from the chancel on the Sunday previous by the clergyman officiating. All meetings shall be opened with prayer.

SECT. 2. Special meetings shall be called by the Wardens, or, in case of vacancy, by three members of the Vestry, whenever they deem it advisable, or whenever so requested in writing either by the Rector or any five members of the Parish; but at special meetings no business shall be transacted unless specified in the notice calling the same. Such meetings shall be notified by the Clerk, by mailing or delivering to each member of the Parish a written or printed notice of the time, place, and purposes of the meeting, four days at least before the same is held.

SECT. 3. At all meetings of the Parish, the Rector, if present, or in his absence one of the Wardens, shall preside: in their absence, a temporary presiding officer shall be chosen by the members present.

SECT. 4. At a meeting of the Parish, five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but any less number may adjourn such meeting.

SECT. 5. At the annual meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, there shall be chosen two Wardens (who shall also act as Assessors), a Treasurer and Collector, a Clerk, and such number of Vestrymen, not exceeding , as may be determined by the members present, all of whom shall constitute the Vestry: such election to be in all cases by ballot; and the person having the highest number of ballots shall be elected, the officers so elected to serve until the next annual meeting and until others are elected and qualified in their stead. Any vacancies may be filled by the Vestry. All such officers, except the Vestry, shall be sworn to the faithful

discharge of their duties, the fact of taking the oath being recorded by the Clerk. Delegates to the Diocesan Convention shall be chosen at the annual meeting, by ballot, or as the members present may determine.

SECT. 6. The Wardens and Vestrymen shall have the management and oversight of all the temporal affairs of the Parish, and shall, in connection with the Rector, make necessary preparations for public worship and for the music at the same. They shall meet as often as once in every three months, and whenever requested by the Rector or either Warden. At each meeting the record of the previous meeting shall be read and approved or amended. The Rector shall be notified of the meetings of the Vestry, and, by consent, shall preside, and be entitled, in common with each member of the Vestry, to one vote.

SECT. 7. The Clerk shall keep a true record of all the proceedings of the Church, and also of doings of the Wardens and Vestry, in suitable books for that purpose; and shall also record all deeds or transfers of pews, for which duty he shall be entitled to the sum of fifty cents for each deed. At any Parish meeting any member may call for the reading of the records of the Vestry meeting for the preceding year.

SECT. 8. The Treasurer shall keep a true account of all moneys received and paid out by him, and present a full account thereof and of the financial condition of the Parish at each annual meeting; and such account shall be audited and approved by the Wardens and Vestrymen, or a committee thereof. He shall pay no sum exceeding ten dollars, except for regular pew charges, without the approval of at least one Warden or two Vestrymen, at the previous direction of the Parish or Vestry. He shall give bonds, when so required by the Wardens or Vestry, for the faithful performance of his duties.

SECT. 9. All pews shall be liable to assessment for the support of the Church, and the maintenance of public worship, the repairs of the church, and other necessary Parish charges, as the Parish may determine, according to the provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth.

SECT. 10. These By-Laws may be altered, amended, or repealed at any meeting of the Parish by a majority of the legal members present; and the time thereof is set forth in the notice calling the meeting.

APPENDIX D.

I.

LIST OF CLERGYMEN

IN THE

DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MAY, 1879.

The Rt. Rev. BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK, D.D., Bishop.

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, Deacon, officiating at St. James's, North Cambridge.

The Rev. CHARLES COLLARD ADAMS, Lanesborough.

The Rev. ALEXANDER VIETS GRISWOLD ALLEN, D.D., Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, and Missionary in the Church of the Ascension Mission, Cambridge.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Boston.

The Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN ANDERSON, Rector of St. James's, Great Barrington, and in charge of Trinity Church, Van Deusenville.

The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D.D., Rector of St. Peter's, Salem.

The Rev. BENJAMIN WARREN ATWELL, Springfield.

The Rev. WILLIAM ROBINSON BABCOCK, D.D., Narragansett Pier, R. I.

The Rev. SAMUEL REED BAILEY, Rector of Christ Church, Rochdale, and Missionary at Cherry Valley.

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" Emmanuel.	Nantucket, St. Paul's.
" St. Mary for Sailors.	Natick, St. Paul's.
" (South), St. Matthew's.	New Bedford, Grace.
" Good Shepherd.	Newburyport, St. Paul's.
" (East), St. John's.	Newton (Lower Falls), St. Mary's.
" (Highlands), St. James's.	" Grace.
" (Highlands), St. John's.	" (West), Church of the Mes-
" (Charlestown), St. John's.	siah.
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Fall River, Ascension.	South Groveland, St. James's.
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Holyoke, St. Paul's.	Waltham, Christ.
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The Constitution.

ARTICLE 1.

ACCEDING TO GENERAL CONSTITUTION.

THIS Church, the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts, accedes to the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

ARTICLE 2.

THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. There shall be a Convention of this Church, consisting of the Bishop, the Assistant Bishop (if there be one), and Clergymen and Laymen, as follows : —

SECT. 2. The Bishop and the Assistant Bishop shall each have a seat and a vote in the Convention. Every Clergyman canonically and actually resident in the Diocese shall have a seat and a vote in the Convention, who, for at least three months next preceding the session of the Convention, has been regularly engaged in discharging the duties of his office, either by settlement in a Parish in union with the Convention, or by regular and canonical appointment as Minister, Assistant Minister, or Missionary, in some Chapel or Mission within this Diocese ; or who has been, for the like term, engaged as Head, Chaplain, or Teacher, in some incorporated Institution of learning, benevolence, or discipline within this Diocese, and performing clerical functions ; or who has been, for the like term, performing duty within this Diocese as Chaplain of the Army or Navy of the United States, or as Secretary or Treasurer of the Convention, or Registrar of the Diocese ; or who, while entitled to a seat and vote, upon any of the grounds above stated, was compelled by age or ill-health to resign his charge, and is still prevented by age or ill-health from resuming duty as above described ; or who has, during an aggregate of thirty years, performed some one or more of the duties above described : *provided*, that any Clergyman, canonically resident in the Diocese, who is holding some appoint-

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ment under the institutions of the General Church of the United States which prevents an actual residence in the Diocese, shall also have a seat and vote in the Convention. And all Clergymen other than those above specified, canonically resident in this Diocese, shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership of this Convention, except the right to vote.

SECT. 3. Every Parish in this Diocese, in union with this Convention, shall be entitled to send to the Convention a Lay Delegate or Delegates, not exceeding three, who shall remain in office till the sitting of the next Annual Convention, the Parish or Vestry to have the power of filling any vacancies which may occur; a certificate of whose appointment, signed by the Wardens or Parish Clerk, shall, before his or their admission to a seat, be laid before the Convention: *provided*, that no person shall be competent to serve as a Lay Delegate unless he be a stated worshipper in the Parish which he represents. The delegation from each Parish shall be entitled, on a division by Orders, to but one vote.

SECT. 4. The Convention shall be the final judge of the qualifications of its members; but no Clergyman under canonical sentence of suspension, and no Layman repelled from the Holy Communion, with the subsequent approval of the Bishop of the Diocese, shall be entitled to membership.

ARTICLE 3.

ANNUAL SESSIONS OF THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. There shall be an Annual Session of the Convention of the Church in this Diocese, on the fifth Wednesday after Easter, in such place as shall have been determined by the Convention at its last preceding session.

SECT. 2. For any sufficient cause, occurring after the designation of the place of session, the Ecclesiastical Authority may change the time and place of such session; *provided*, that the time of session shall not be more than three months later or one month earlier than the stated time.

ARTICLE 4.

SPECIAL SESSIONS OF THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. Special Sessions of the Convention may be called by the Bishop, at his discretion, and shall be called whenever

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requested by the Standing Committee ; or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or disability of the Bishop, such Special Sessions may be called by the Standing Committee.

SECT. 2. The purpose or purposes for which such session is called shall be duly stated in the notice thereof, which shall be sent by the Secretary to every Clergyman canonically connected with the Diocese, and to every Parish in union with the Convention, at least four weeks previous to the time appointed therefor.

SECT. 4. No business shall be transacted at such session, other than that stated in the notice thereof, except by a vote of at least two-thirds of each Order.

ARTICLE 5.

PRESIDENT OF THE CONVENTION.

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention. In the absence of both the Bishop and Assistant Bishop (if there be one), the members shall elect a President from among the Presbyters of the Convention.

ARTICLE 6.

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

At each Annual Session of the Convention, a Secretary shall be elected. His duty shall be to take minutes of the proceedings, and to enter them, when approved, in a proper book ; to preserve the Journals and records ; to attest the public acts of the body ; and to deliver to his successor all books and papers belonging to the Convention which may be in his custody. An Assistant Secretary may also be appointed by the Secretary, with the approval of the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the office of Secretary, the duties thereof shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretary, if there be one ; if not, upon the Secretary of the Standing Committee.

ARTICLE 7.

TREASURER AND REGISTRAR OF THE DIOCESE.

At each Annual Session of the Convention, a Treasurer and a Registrar shall be elected. If not members of the Convention, they shall be entitled, *ex officio*, to all the rights and privileges of membership, except that of voting.

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ARTICLE 8.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

There shall be a Standing Committee of the Diocese, elected by the Convention at its Annual Session. It shall consist of four Presbyters canonically and actually resident in the Diocese, and four Laymen, communicants of this Church and resident in the Diocese. Vacancies in said Committee shall be filled by the concurrent vote of the Clerical and Lay members of the same, duly assembled.

ARTICLE 9.

TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS.

SECTION 1. In all matters which come before the Convention, the Clergy and Laity shall deliberate, and shall vote as one body, except when a vote by Orders shall be called for by any three Clerical members, or by the Delegates from any three Parishes, and except when such vote shall be required by the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese; in which cases the two Orders shall vote separately, the Clergy by individuals, and the Laity by Parishes, the delegation from each Parish being entitled to one vote, and no more; and the concurrence of a majority of each Order shall be necessary to constitute a decision.

SECT. 2. A majority of the Lay Delegates from a Parish shall determine the vote of that Parish. When the Delegates from a Parish are equally divided, the vote of the Parish shall be cast, with the word "divided" written thereon, and shall be counted as a vote.

SECT. 3. The presence of one-third of the Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, and of Delegates from one-third of the Parishes in union with the Convention, shall be necessary for the transaction of business; but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day.

ARTICLE 10.

ELECTION OF A BISHOP.

SECTION 1. The election of a Bishop, or of an Assistant Bishop, shall be made only at an Annual Session of the Convention, or at a Special Session of the Convention called for the purpose at least sixty days before the time appointed, the object being stated in a notice sent by the Secretary of the Convention to every Clergyman

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canonically connected with the Diocese and to every Parish in union with the Convention.

SECT. 2. The election shall be by ballot, and in the manner elsewhere prescribed in the Constitution and Canons for elections by ballot.

ARTICLE 11.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. All elections shall be by ballot and by Orders, unless the Convention, by a majority of three-fourths of the members voting, shall otherwise determine.

SECT. 2. The person or persons in office shall hold over until their successors are elected.

ARTICLE 12.

ADMISSION OF A PARISH INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. To entitle a Parish to admission into union with the Convention, such Parish shall submit to the Convention a certified copy of its Articles of Association, or other satisfactory evidence of its organization (or, if specially incorporated, of its Charter), and of its Constitution and By-Laws; in which it must be declared that such Parish accedes to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship, the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese; and such Parish shall lay before the Convention written evidence, subscribed by the Wardens and Vestry, that it has been duly organized as such for the space of one year, and during that time has held regular public services.

SECT. 2. Copies of said Articles of Association or Charter, and of the Constitution and By-Laws of such Parish, together with the circumstances and need of its organization, must also be submitted to the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese at least one month before the Annual Session of the Convention, and be approved by them respectively; or, if not so approved, he or they shall report to the Convention the reasons, in writing, of such disapproval. The whole subject, with all the documents, shall be referred to a special committee of three Clerical and three Lay members of the Convention to report thereon.

SECT. 3. Whenever any Parish in union with the Convention shall neglect, for three years in succession, to make a Parochial

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Report being made in its behalf during said year, and during the said three years, have employed a Minister, nor made application to the Convention for the services of a Missionary with just cause, such Parish shall be regarded as separated from the Convention, and shall not be readmitted in the same. The Bishop shall mention the same in his annual address.

Any Minister presented by the Bishop and Standing Committee of the General or Diocesan Convention or Synod, who may be declared contumacious by a concurrent vote of each Order, and thereupon shall forfeit his seat in the Convention. The Bishop shall report the same to the Convention as occasion may require.

Any Parish may, upon its application, be readmitted to the Convention by a concurrent vote of each Order. Such re-admission to take effect from and after the Session of the Convention consenting thereto.

ARTICLE 13.

THE ASSISTANT BISHOP.

In the absence or inability of the Bishop, the duties of the Assistant Bishop, as provided in the Constitution, or by the Canons, shall be performed by the Assistant Bishop (if there be one).

ARTICLE 14.

AMENDMENTS OF THIS CONSTITUTION.

Any amendment or amendment of this Constitution shall be as follows:—Any amendment shall be presented in writing at an Annual Session of the Convention; and, if approved by a majority of each Order, shall be acted upon at the next Annual Session of the Convention. When, if a majority of each Order, voting separately, shall approve the said proposed amendment, it shall become a part of the Constitution of the Diocese.

ARTICLE 15.

REPEAL.

All previous Constitutions of the Diocese are hereby repealed.

Canons.

Title I.

THE CONVENTION.

CANON 1.

OF THE RECORD OR LIST OF CLERGY IN THE DIOCESE.

SECTION 1. The Ecclesiastical Authority shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all the Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese; designating those regularly settled in Parishes by the names of their respective cures or Parishes; those employed as Missionaries, by their respective stations; those employed as Presidents, Professors, Tutors, or Instructors, by the respective institutions in which they are engaged; those employed as Heads or Chaplains in any benevolent or public institutions duly incorporated within the Diocese, or in the Army or Navy of the United States, by their respective posts of duty; and those not so engaged, by their places of residence only.

SECT. 2. Such list shall be recorded in a book by the Secretary of the Convention.

SECT. 3. The Secretary of the Convention shall record in such book all canonical certificates concerning the election or institution of Ministers, *provided*, that the same be accompanied with the certificate of the Ecclesiastical Authority that the person so chosen to any Parish or cure in this Diocese is a qualified Minister of this Church.

SECT. 4. (1.) When letters dimissory shall have been accepted, the Clergyman received shall procure from the Ecclesiastical Authority a certificate that he has been received into the Diocese, in compliance with the Canons. He shall cause such certificate to be delivered to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record the same.

(2.) The Ecclesiastical Authority shall also certify in writing to the Secretary the names of all Clergymen who shall, by ordination or in any other mode than as above specified, become canonically resident within the Diocese, to be duly recorded; and shall also

Record or list of Clergy to be prepared by the Ecclesiastical Authority.

List to be recorded.

Record to be kept of canonical certificates.

A certificate of reception to be recorded.

The Ecclesiastical Authority to certify names of Clergymen

received into the Diocese, and clerical changes.

Copy of the list to be laid before Convention. Such record admitted as evidence in all trials, etc.

List of Clergy entitled to seats.

The appointment of Lay Delegates

Evidence of appointment

Certificate

Qualifications

Election of Lay Delegates.

certify to the Secretary the name of every Clergyman deceased, transferred, deposed, or suspended; in order that such names may, in the first three cases, be stricken from the record; and, in the last, that a minute of the sentence may be made.

(3) A copy of such record or list shall be laid before the Convention on the first day of its meeting, and shall be entered upon the Journal.

(4) Such record, or a transcript thereof, or of such part thereof as may relate to the matter in question, duly attested by the Secretary, shall be admitted in evidence upon all proceedings or trials under any law or Canon in force in this Diocese.

CANON 2.

OF THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. *The Clerical Members and their Right to Seats.*

Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of the Diocese, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention. Such list, or a copy thereof, authenticated by the Ecclesiastical Authority, shall be laid before the Convention on the first day of the meeting, and filed with the Secretary, who shall record it in a book kept for the purpose.

SECT. 2. *Lay Delegates and their Right to Seats.*

(1.) The appointment of Lay Delegates to the Convention, in Parishes organized or incorporated with a Vestry, if they be chosen by the Vestry, shall be made at a regular meeting of such Vestry, held according to the laws of the Parish; if they be chosen by the Parish, it shall be under the same regulations as are prescribed for the election of Wardens and Vestrymen of the Parish in which they are chosen.

(2.) The evidence of the appointment of a Lay Delegate shall be a certificate, signed by the Wardens or the Parish Clerk, which certificate must be laid before the Convention before the admission of said Delegate to a seat.

(3.) Every certificate of the appointment of a Lay Delegate shall attest that the appointment has been made in pursuance of the requirements of this Section; and shall certify that the Delegate has the qualifications required by the next succeeding clause of this Section.

(4.) No Lay Delegate shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention unless he be a stated worshipper in the Parish which he is appointed to represent.

(5.) The time, place, and manner of holding an election of Lay Delegates, and the notice for holding the same, shall be fixed by rules or by-laws made by the Vestries of such Parishes, or by the Lay members of the same, duly qualified at a meeting duly convened. It shall be the duty of the Clerks of the several Parishes,

immediately after the choice of Delegates to the Convention, to report the names of such Delegates to the Secretary of the Convention, to aid him in making up a list of Lay Delegates for use in the organization of the Convention.

(6.) A copy of this Section shall be transmitted by the Secretary of the Convention to the Vestry or Trustees of every Parish in union with the Convention, with blank printed forms of proceedings under it, to be entered upon their book of minutes. All alterations shall be similarly transmitted.

(7.) No other certificate or evidence of the appointment of a Lay Delegate than such as is required by this Section shall be required; and any Laymen, duly certified as above, shall be entitled to seats until further action of the Convention thereon.

SECT. 3. *The Call of the Convention.*

Unless it be otherwise directed by the Convention, the mode of giving notice of the meeting of the Convention shall be by printed or written notice, naming the time and place thereof, with the signature of the Secretary, sent by mail to each Clergyman canonically connected with the Diocese, and to each Parish in union with the Convention. The notice of the Annual Meeting of the Convention shall be sent at least four weeks before the time appointed; the notice of a Special Meeting of the Convention shall be sent as required by Article IV. of the Constitution.

SECT. 4. *Organizing the Convention.*

(1.) Every Session of the Convention shall be opened with Divine Service. On the first morning there shall be a Sermon and the Administration of the Holy Communion. A Clergyman shall be appointed by the Convention, who shall be the preacher at its next Annual Session, unless, at least one month before the same, the Bishop shall give said Clergyman notice that the Sermon, Address, or Charge is to be delivered by the Bishop.

(2.) If the Bishop be not present, nor the Assistant Bishop (if there be one), at the appointed time and place for holding the Convention, the Secretary shall call the members present to order, and shall preside until a presiding officer be elected.

(3.) The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergymen entitled to seats, from the list filed with him, as directed in Section 1 of this Canon.

(4.) The Secretary shall call the Parishes entitled to representation, when the Lay Delegates shall present their certificates, which certificates shall be referred to a committee of three members, appointed by the presiding officer. Irregular or defective certificates, and certificates and documents referring to contested seats, shall be temporarily laid aside. The names of the Lay Delegates, reported as duly certified, shall then be called, after which the certificates and documents laid aside shall be reported to the Convention, which shall decide on the admission of the Delegates named therein.

A copy of this Section to be sent to every Parish.

The Convention to decide contested seats.

Call of the Convention by a written or printed notice.

Every Session to be opened with Divine Service.

Secretary to preside in absence of Bishop.

Secretary to call names of Clergy.

Certificates of Lay Delegates to be presented.

Roll of Lay Delegates to be called.

Organiza-
tion.

(5.) A quorum being present, the Bishop, if present, shall declare the Convention duly organized. If the Bishop be not present, nor the Assistant Bishop, the Secretary shall direct that the members proceed to vote for a President, as provided for in Article V. of the Constitution. The President thus elected shall declare the Convention organized for business.

Secretary to
be elected.

(6.) The Convention shall then proceed to the election of a Secretary.

Rules of or-
der.

(7.) The rules of order in force at the Annual Session of the Convention next preceding shall be in force until altered by the Convention.

SECT. 5. *Elections by Ballot.*

Tellers to be
appointed.

When elections are by ballot, three Clerical tellers shall be appointed by the President to receive and count the votes of the Clerical Order, and three Lay tellers to receive and count the votes of the Lay Order. The Clerical tellers shall take their places at the right of the President, and shall call by name the Clerical members. The Lay tellers shall take their places at the left of the President, and shall call the names of the Parishes entitled to representation, each Parish so entitled having one vote. When the tellers of the two Orders are ready to report, their reports shall be presented to the President; first, that of the votes of the Clerical Order, and then that of the votes of the Lay Order. If it shall then appear that a majority of the votes of both Orders have been cast for the same person, that person shall be declared elected. If no person has such concurrent majority, the ballot of each Order shall be accounted a nullity. Subsequent ballots shall be taken under the same regulations as the first.

Report of
tellers.

SECT. 6. *The Secretary.*

To give due
notice of
meeting of
Convention.

(1.) In addition to the offices and duties elsewhere declared, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to give notice of any meeting of the Convention, in a written or printed letter, transmitted by mail to every Clergyman canonically connected with the Diocese, and to every Parish in union with the Convention, at least four weeks before the time appointed. This letter shall contain a notice of the time and place of holding the Convention; a printed copy of Section 2 of Canon II., relating to the appointment of Lay Delegates; a form of certificate of their election; and, with the notice of the time and place of the Annual Session of the Convention, a copy of the blank form of Parochial Report adopted by the Convention, with a request that it be filled up and presented to the Bishop.

To transmit
copies of the
Journal.

(2.) He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of this Church, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention or Council, and to the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention; and shall secure, so far as possible, from the Secretaries of the Diocesan Conventions or Councils, copies of their Journals in exchange.

(3.) He shall also transmit to every General Convention, in addition to the documents mentioned in Section 4 of Canon XV., Title I., of the Digest of Canons of the General Convention, a certificate signed by himself, containing a list of the nominations of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, and also a like certificate of the appointment of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

SECT. 7. *The Treasurer.*

(1.) It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse all moneys collected under authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and appropriation shall not be otherwise specifically ordered.

(2.) His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention, and shall be examined by a committee appointed by it.

(3.) He may be removed from office at any time by the Standing Committee, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Bishop, for any neglect, misconduct, or incapacity.

To transmit certain documents to the General Convention.

To receive and disburse* moneys.

Accounts to be rendered.

When removed.

CANON 3.

OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

SECTION 1. The Standing Committee shall, at their first meeting, choose a President from among the Clerical members, and a Secretary, either Clerical or Lay. The Secretary shall record their proceedings in a book provided for this purpose, which book, and all papers in their hands relative to the Diocese, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention; and a full report of their acts shall be made at each Annual Meeting of the Convention. A majority of the Committee shall be a quorum.

Shall choose a President.

SECT. 2. The Standing Committee shall be a Council of Advice to the Bishop. They may be summoned by the Bishop whenever he shall wish for their advice; and they may meet of their own accord, and agreeably to their own rules, whenever they may be disposed to advise the Bishop.

A Quorum.

Council of Advice.

SECT. 3. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese in all cases except such as are otherwise provided for by the Canons of the General Convention or of this Diocese.

Ecclesiastical Authority in vacancy of Episcopate.

SECT. 4. The Standing Committee shall have authority to fill all vacancies that may occur during the recess of the Convention, in any committees appointed to sit in the recess of Convention, and also in such other offices as are held by annual election, for filling vacancies in which other provision has not been made.

Power to fill vacancies.

SECT. 5. On an application for the establishment of a new Parish within the limits of an existing Parish, the Standing Committee shall notify the Rector of said Parish (or, if there be no Rector, the Wardens) of such application, and also of the time and place appointed for the hearing of it, when the Rector, or War-

To receive application for establishment of a new Parish.

dens, or Committee of the Parish, shall be allowed to make any suggestions or representations, either personally or in writing, in relation to the matter.

CANON 4.

OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Deputies to
be chosen.

Number and
qualifica-
tions.

Provisional
Deputies.

Vacancies
filled.

Deputies to
signify inten-
tion to at-
tend.

SECTION 1. At each Annual Convention next preceding a stated meeting of the General Convention, four Clergymen and four Laymen shall be elected by the concurrent vote of the Clerical and Lay members, to represent this Diocese in said General Convention, who shall continue in office until the meeting of this Convention next preceding the meeting of the next General Convention, or until their successors are elected. The Clerical Deputies shall be Presbyters canonically connected with the Diocese, and the Lay Deputies shall be communicants of the Church and residents of the Diocese. The Convention shall also, in like manner, elect four Clergymen and four Laymen, with the same qualifications as the other Deputies, as Provisional Deputies to act in the cases hereafter mentioned. At the time of election, the Convention shall determine the order in which the names of the Provisional Deputies shall be entered upon the Journal.

SECT. 2. Any vacancy occurring among the Deputies or Provisional Deputies shall be filled at any session of the Convention during which, or prior to which, such vacancy shall occur.

SECT. 3. In case of the inability of any Deputy to attend, or in case of vacancy, the Secretary of the Convention shall designate from the list of Provisional Deputies, in the order of their record on the Journal, so many as may be necessary to insure, as far as practicable, a full representation of the Diocese.

CANON 5.

OF THE REGISTRAR.

General
duties.

Shall procure
and preserve
documents,
etc.

SECTION 1. The Journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents, which, under the Canons or otherwise, shall become the property of this Convention, shall be committed to the keeping of the Registrar.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of the Registrar to procure all such Journals, files, papers, reports, copies of charters and acts of incorporation of churches, and other documents, as may be of value in the history of this Diocese; to arrange, label, file, index, and otherwise put in order and provide for the safe keeping of the same, and all such others as may hereafter come into his possession, in some safe and accessible place of deposit; and to hold the same under such regulations and restrictions as the Convention may, from time to time, provide.

SECT. 3. It shall be his duty also to preserve, in a proper Registry Book, a record of the ordination and consecration of the successive Bishops of this Diocese, designating accurately the time and place of the same, with the names of the ordaining and consecrating Bishops, and of the others present and assisting ; to record a list of all the Presbyters and Deacons, and the dates of their connection with this Diocese, and copies of the charters and acts of incorporation of Parishes in the same, with such additional facts as may be worthy of preservation in the archives of this Diocese.

To record
Consecra-
tions.

SECT. 4. He shall make a report in writing at each Annual Session of the Convention.

Shall make
an annual re-
port.

CANON 6.

OF THE DIOCESAN FUND.

SECTION 1. Whereas it is indispensable to provide a fund for defraying the contingent expenses of the Convention in this Diocese, therefore it shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to pay to the Treasurer of the Convention, on or before the day of each Annual Session thereof, a contribution of not less than one per cent. on the salary of its Minister ; and any Parish destitute of a Clergyman, and represented by Lay Delegates in the Convention, shall pay at each Annual Session of the Convention at least five dollars, or send a certified copy of a vote of its Vestry that it is unable to pay the same ; and it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to state, in his annual report, the Parishes which have neglected to comply with this Canon.

Assessment
on each Par-
ish for con-
tingent ex-
penses.

SECT. 2. The money thus paid into the treasury of the Convention shall be subject to appropriation by vote of the Convention, or by a majority of the votes of the Standing Committee, or of such committee as shall be authorized by the Convention to incur expense ; and the following appropriations shall always be deemed proper, namely : to pay the travelling expenses of the Bishop of this Diocese ; to pay the travelling expenses of such Clerical members of the Convention as cannot afford to pay the same, not exceeding ten dollars to any Clergyman in one year ; to pay the travelling expenses of the members of the Ecclesiastical Court ; to pay the travelling expenses of the Clerical Deputies to the General Convention, not exceeding fifty dollars to each Clerical Deputy ; and to pay for printing the Journals of this Convention and such other publications as shall be printed by order of the Convention ; and every Parish shall be entitled to at least five copies of every publication printed by order of the Convention. *Provided*, that no Clergyman shall be entitled to any appropriation from the contingent Diocesan Fund, unless the Parish of which he is the Minister shall have paid its annual assessments, as required in Section 1 of this Canon, or shall have sent a certified copy of a vote that it is unable to pay the same.

How appro-
priations
may be
made.

For what
proper.

Exceptions.

Title II.

CANON I.

Assessment
for contin-
gent expen-
ses of the
General Con-
vention.

SECT. 3. And whereas, by Section 5 of Canon 1 of Title III. of the Digest of the Canons of the General Convention, it is made the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at each meeting of the same, a certain sum for each Clergyman within the Diocese, for the purpose of defraying the contingent expenses of the said Convention, therefore it shall be the duty of the Treasurer of this Convention to retain annually one-third of such sum as the General Convention shall require of the Convention of this Diocese. The amount thus retained shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Convention to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at each meeting of the same.

Title II.

THE MISSIONARY ORGANIZATION.

CANON I.

OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Constitution
of the Board.

SECTION 1. The work of establishing and sustaining Missions, and of assisting feeble Parishes within the Diocese, shall be committed to a Diocesan Board of Missions chosen by the Convention, consisting of eight Presbyters, engaged in parochial or missionary work, and eight Laymen, communicants of this Church; and of two members, one Clergyman and one Layman, communicants of this Church, chosen annually by each of the four Convocations recognized in Section 5 of this Canon. In all meetings of this Board, nine members shall constitute a quorum.

Term of of-
fice.

SECT. 2. Four members of the Board, viz., two Clergymen and two Laymen, shall pass out of office each year; and their places shall then be filled by an election by ballot on nomination by a committee appointed for that purpose. The term of the members of the Board in office at the passage of this Canon shall be as already determined by lot. The Board, at any meeting not less than three months before the Annual Session of the Convention, may fill any vacancy in its membership; but such election shall be for the remainder of the Conventional year only.

Bishop Pres-
ident.
Meetings.

SECT. 3. The Bishop shall be *ex officio* President of the Board.

SECT. 4. The regular meetings of the Board shall be held at such times and places as it shall determine. Special meetings may be called by the Bishop at his discretion, and shall be called when requested by any four members of the Board. Ten days' notice of each meeting shall be given to each member of the Board, unless such meeting be held during the session of the Convention.

SECT. 5. Four Convocations, as at present established, viz., the Eastern, the Southern, the Central, and the Western, are hereby recognized and adopted as auxiliaries of the Board in exploring missionary fields and in other convenient methods of co-operation.

SECT. 6. The persons connected with any Mission Station may, with the consent of the Board, form a missionary organization, by choosing a Warden, a Treasurer, and a Clerk, whose duties shall be such as usually belong to those offices respectively. The Missionary may, on consultation with above-named officers, appoint all other officers and helpers necessary for the purposes of the Mission. If there be no Missionary, these appointments may be made by the Warden, the Treasurer, and the Clerk.

SECT. 7. No Mission shall be organized into a Parish without the consent of the Board, under penalty of forfeiture of appropriations from the date of its organization.

SECT. 8. Appointments of Missionaries are to be made on the nomination of the Bishop, or of any three members of the Board, by a majority of two-thirds of the members present, voting by ballot.

SECT. 9. All Parishes and Mission Stations within the Diocese are expected to give at least two Sunday Offerings in each year, for the furtherance of the work committed to this Board. All Offerings received by the Board for any special work already approved and undertaken by the Board shall be estimated in the Board's redemption of its pledges towards that special work.

SECT. 10. No appropriation shall be made for a period extending beyond the first day of July following the next Annual Session of the Convention; and all notices of the appropriations of money to a Missionary or a Clergyman shall mention the Mission or Church for which the appropriation is made.

SECT. 11. Organized Parishes may be aided only on a written statement by the Wardens and Vestry, accompanying each application, and declaring the need and amount of the desired aid. Such statement shall have the assent, in writing, of the Missionary or the Clergyman in charge.

SECT. 12. The Board may, at its discretion, make arrangements for Missionary Meetings in any part of the Diocese; may appoint Delegates to attend them; and, in general, may devise any methods to awaken an interest in the Missionary work.

SECT. 13. The Board shall make a full report of its work to the Convention at its Annual Session.

Convocations recognized.

Mission Stations and Missionaries.

Parish organization.

Appointments of Missionaries.

Two Sunday Offerings expected from each Parish.

Appropriation.

Aid to organized Parishes.

Missionary Meetings.

Report.

Title III.
OF DISCIPLINE.

CANON I.

OF PROCEEDINGS IN THE CASE OF A MINISTER, NOT BEING A BISHOP, ACCUSED, BY PUBLIC RUMOR OR OTHERWISE, OF OFFENCES FOR WHICH HE MAY BE TRIED.

Mode of
present-
ment.

SECTION 1. The mode of presentment and trial of a Minister for any offence for which, by the laws of the General Convention or of this Diocese, he is or may be liable to be tried, shall be as follows :—

Information of his offence shall first be given in writing to the Standing Committee, which information any member of this Church is hereby declared competent to give. The Standing Committee shall thereupon proceed to a preliminary consideration of the case, and in their discretion, if they see fit, may make a formal presentment of the offence to the Bishop.

Such presentment shall be made in writing, addressed to the Bishop, stating the charges made against the accused, with specifications as to time, place, and circumstances ; and any of the specifications in said presentment may be amended from time to time by the Judge Advocate, as the Court may order ; and in case there shall be no Bishop, or in case the Bishop shall be implicated in the offence, or shall be related to the accused by consanguinity or affinity, the Standing Committee shall then request the Bishop of some other Diocese to receive the presentment, who, upon the application of the Standing Committee, may proceed in the case, and exercise the same powers as belong or are granted to the Bishop of the Diocese.

When the
Standing
Committee
may institute
inquiry.

SECT. 2. Any Minister of this Diocese, not being a Bishop, accused, by public rumor or otherwise, of any offence or offences for which he may be tried as aforesaid, may, for himself, request the Standing Committee to institute such examination and inquiry respecting the truth of the charges against him ; and in such case, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee to institute such examination and inquiry, and to proceed in like manner as is provided in Section 1 of the Canon.

CANON 2.

OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN, NOT BEING A BISHOP.

SECTION 1. Upon such presentment being made by the Standing Committee, as is provided in the foregoing Canon, the Bishop shall, as soon as may be, cause a copy of such presentment to be served on the accused, and shall also nominate nine Presbyters of the Diocese, entitled to seats in the Convention, and not being parties to the presentment nor witnesses in the case, and shall cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, who shall, within thirty days after such service, select five of them, and notify their names in writing to the Bishop; and, if he shall not give such notification to the Bishop within said thirty days, the Bishop shall then select five, and the Presbyters so selected shall form an Ecclesiastical Court for the trial of the accused.

SECT. 2. The Court, thus constituted, shall meet at such time and place within the Diocese as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and from place to place, within the Diocese, as they shall deem necessary; and the Bishop shall cause a written notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the said Court to be served, at least thirty days before the time of meeting, on the accused, and also on the Secretary of the Standing Committee.

SECT. 3. If, at the time appointed for the first meeting of the said Court, the whole number of five shall not attend, those who do attend may adjourn from time to time; or being not less than three in number, they shall have the right to proceed, in case they shall see fit, to a hearing and trial of the case; and their decision, if unanimous, shall be as binding as if the whole Court had been present; but, in case their decision shall not be unanimous, the Bishop shall, at the request of the accused, or of the Standing Committee, order a new trial.

SECT. 4. If a Clergyman presented shall confess the truth of the facts alleged in the presentment, the Court shall, in writing, certify the same to the Bishop, and state their opinion as to the sentence that ought to be pronounced; and it shall be the duty of the Bishop to proceed to pass sentence in the manner hereinafter provided. And if a Clergyman presented as aforesaid, after having had due notice, shall fail or neglect to appear before the Court of Presbyters appointed for his trial, unless prevented by sickness or other sufficient cause, he shall be suspended from the exercise of his clerical functions for the term of six months; and if, during that period, he shall not apply for a trial, he shall then be degraded from the Ministry.

SECT. 5. When the Court proceed to the trial, they shall hear such competent evidence as shall be produced; which evidence shall be reduced to writing, and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer, authorized by law to administer oaths,

The Bishop
to nominate
nine Presby-
ters.

The accused
to select five
of them.

When the
Court shall
meet.

The attend-
ance of the
Court.

If the ac-
cused con-
fesses truth
of charges.

Proceedings
at trial.

A Commissary may be appointed to take testimony.

Opinion of the Court to be declared in writing.

Citations and notices.

may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses. If, on or during the trial, the accused shall confess the truth of the charges as stated in the presentment, the Court may dispense with hearing further evidence, and may proceed at once to state their opinion to the Bishop as to the sentence that ought to be pronounced.

SECT. 6. Upon the application of either party to the Bishop, and it being made satisfactorily to appear to him that any material witnesses cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint a Commissary to take the testimony of such witnesses. Such Commissary may be either a Clergyman or a Layman, and the party so applying shall give to the other at least *six* days' notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person on whom the notice shall be served shall reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional day's notice shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the Commissary, and enclosed under his seal, and transmitted to the Court, and shall be received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such Commissary may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

SECT. 7. The Court, having deliberately considered the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether the accused is guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively, and also stating the sentence which, in their opinion, should be pronounced; and a copy of such decision shall be, without delay, communicated to the accused; and the original decision, together with the evidence, shall be delivered to the Bishop, who shall pronounce such canonical sentence as shall appear to him to be proper: *provided* the same shall not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Court; and such sentence shall be final. Before pronouncing any sentence, the Bishop shall summon the accused, and any three or more Presbyters of the Diocese, to meet him at such time as may in his opinion be most convenient, in some church to be designated by him, which shall for that purpose be opened at the time to all persons who may choose to attend; and the sentence shall then and there be publicly pronounced by the Bishop. But the Bishop, if he shall be satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused; in which case, a new Court of Presbyters shall be appointed, the proceedings before whom shall be conducted as before mentioned.

SECT. 8. All citations and notices contemplated in this Canon shall be signed by the Bishop, and may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed for the purpose by the Bishop, and whose certificate of such service shall be evidence thereof. In case of service by any other person, the fact shall be proved by the

affidavit of such person. A written citation or notice delivered to a party, or left at his last place of residence, shall be deemed a sufficient service of such citation or notice.

SECT. 9. Advocates or Proctors shall be allowed on both sides at the pleasure of the parties, provided they are Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese, or Laymen who have been communicants of some Parish of the same at least two years before the time of trial.

Advocates
allowed.

Title IV.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

CANON 1.

OF PAROCHIAL LIMITS.

SECTION 1. The Convention may, by general Canon or by special vote, assign territorial limits to Parishes. In the absence of such assignment, the limits of a Parish shall be those of the city or town in which the church stands. No Parish shall be formed within the limits of an existing Parish, without the consent first given of the Rector and Vestry of such Parish; and if there be two or more churches in any city or town, and no subdivision thereof or parochial limits has been established, the consent of the Rector and Vestry of a majority of the churches shall be necessary: *provided*, that, in every case of consent withheld, and in all cases where a majority of the Rectors interested so refer the matter, the consent of the Bishop and Standing Committee, after notice to all parties interested, shall be sufficient.

Convention
may assign
parochial
limits.

SECT. 2. In no case shall a Parish which for the six years last preceding has failed to elect its legal officers, and to maintain stated public services, be revived, re-established, or recognized as a legal Parish, without the consent above named.

CANON 2.

OF PARISH REGISTERS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

SECTION 1. According to Section 1, Canon 15, Title I., of the Digest of Canons of the General Convention, each Clergyman of this Church shall keep a Register of Baptisms, Confirmations, Communications, Marriages, and Funerals within his cure, agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the Constitution of the Diocese where his cure lies.

Every Clergyman to
keep a Parish
Register.

SECT. 2. The Register shall specify the name, place, and date of the birth of each child baptized, with the names of the parents and sponsors; the name of each adult baptized, and the names of the witnesses; the names of parties married; the names of persons buried; and also the time when each rite was performed.

The Register
to contain
certain
particulars.

Title IV.

CANONS 3 AND 4.

The Register to be carefully preserved.

A list of communicants to be kept.

Annual Parochial Report.

SECT. 3. These entries shall be made by the Clergyman in a book to be provided for that purpose, belonging to the Vestry of each Parish, which book shall be the Parish Register, and shall be preserved by the Vestry as a part of the records of the Parish.

SECT. 4. The list of communicants shall embrace all within the Clergyman's cure, as nearly as can be ascertained; and he shall also keep a list of all the families and adult persons within his cure, as far as practicable, and also an accurate list of the persons confirmed from time to time by the Bishop.

SECT. 5. Every Clergyman of this Church, regularly settled in any Parish, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Session of the Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese (or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention) a statement of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Funerals, and of the number of Communicants in his Parish; also the state and condition of the Sunday School and any other schools in his Parish; also of the amount of the Communion Alms, the contributions for Missions (Diocesan, Domestic, and Foreign), for Parochial Schools, for Church purposes in general; also whether there is a Church or Chapel, with the number of sittings therein, and whether there is a parsonage; also the total valuation of the property belonging to the Parish, taken, if possible, from the tax lists of the town or city; and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same, according to the form of Parochial Report transmitted by the Secretary of Convention, in accordance with Title I., Canon 2, Section 6. If a Parish is vacant, the Wardens shall present, or cause to be delivered, the foregoing statement. Every Clergyman not regularly settled in any Parish or Church shall also report the occasional services he may have performed, and, if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be entered on the Journals of the Convention.

CANON 3.

OF VACANT PARISHES.

Notice to be given to the Ecclesiastical Authority.

Whenever a Parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry to give immediate notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority.

CANON 4.

OF REPEALED CANONS.

Repealing clause.

Whenever there shall be a repealing clause in any Canon, and such Canon shall be repealed, such repeal shall not be a re-enactment of the Canon or Canons repealed by the said repealing clause.

CANON 5.

OF THE REPEAL, AMENDMENT, AND ENACTMENT OF NEW
CANONS.

SECTION 1. In all cases of future enactments, the same, if by way of amendment of an existing provision, shall be in the following form: "Title — Canon — (or Canon — Section —) is hereby amended so as to read as follows." And if the enactment is of an additional clause, Section, or Canon, it shall be designated as the next Canon, or next Section, or next clause of a Canon or Section, in the order of the numbering of the Title to which the subject properly belongs. If a Canon or Section or clause be stricken out, the existing numbering shall be retained until a new edition of the Canons be directed.

SECT. 2. The Secretary, with any member of the Committee on Canons selected by such Committee, shall, at the close of each session of the Convention, certify the changes made in the Canons, and the Secretary shall print the same in the Journal.

Form of future amendments.

Changes to be certified

CANON 6.

OF AMENDMENTS OF THE CANONS.

The Canons may be altered, or new Canons may be added, at the Annual Session of the Convention, by vote of a majority of each Order.

But no existing Canon shall be changed, and no new Canon shall be enacted, on the day on which the change or enactment may be proposed, unless such change or enactment shall have been referred to and reported upon by a committee of at least two Presbyters and two Laymen.

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ON motion of Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, —

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Rectors of Parishes to enforce the observance of the 1st Section of Canon 12, Title II., of the Digest.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the foregoing resolution, together with the Section of the Canon referred to, be printed upon the cover of the Journal.

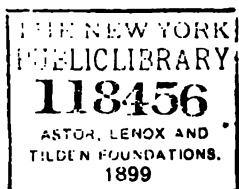
Title II., Canon 12, Section 1.

A communicant removing from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing: and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removed shall not be required to receive him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced.

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THIS being the day appointed for the Ninetieth Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts, the BISHOP and several of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled in the Chapel of Trinity Church, Boston, at nine o'clock A.M.

The BISHOP called the Convention to order, and offered the Lord's Prayer and the Prayer for the Meetings of Convention.

The SECRETARY then called over the list, prepared by the BISHOP, of all Clergymen in the Diocese entitled to *seats* and *votes* in the Convention, as follows:—

Those not present are printed in *Italics*.

The Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.

The Rev. Edward Abbott.

“ A. V. G. Allen, D.D.
“ Frederick B. Allen.
“ Henry F. Allen.
“ Daniel G. Anderson.
“ Charles Arey, D.D.
“ Leonidas B. Baldwin.
“ Arthur M. Backus.
“ *Arthur H. Barrington.*
“ William S. Bartlet.
“ George S. Bennitt.
“ Nathan K. Bishop.
“ *Levi Boyer.*
“ John C. Brooks.

The Rev. Phillips Brooks, D.D.

“ *W. H. Brooks, D.D.*
“ *Abbott Brown.*
“ Belno A. Brown.
“ Percy Browne.
“ George H. Buck.
“ Frederick Burgess, jun.
“ John T. Burrill.
“ Henry Burroughs, D.D.
“ Hiram Carleton, D.D.
“ William F. Cheney.
“ Joseph H. Clinch, S.T.D.
“ George S. Converse.
“ Benjamin F. Cooley.

BOSTON (CHARL'N), ST. JOHN'S.

George N. Fisher.
 Samuel F. Summers.
 John Wigmore.

BOSTON (HIGH'LS), ST. JOHN'S.

Richard Garvey.
Frank H. Beebe.
 Henry B. Mackintosh.

BOSTON (J. PLAIN), ST. JOHN'S.

Frank W. Reynolds.
 John W. McKim.
 John M. Hagar.

BOSTON (EAST), ST. JOHN'S.

George H. Plummer.
 William A. Parker.
Edmund Cullen.

BOSTON (BR.), ST. MARGARET'S.

T. T. S. Laidley.
 John H. Sturgis.
G. Freeman Henry.

BOSTON (DOR.), ST. MARY'S.

John P. Clapp.
Daniel B. Stedman, jun.
 Samuel R. Phillips.

**BOSTON, ST. MARY'S FOR SAIL-
ORS.**

Richard L. Thomas.
John Lamb.
Henry H. Cotton.

BOSTON (S.), ST. MATTHEW'S.

Henry W. Nelson.
Thomas Hill.
Charles French.

BOSTON, ST. PAUL'S.

Henry A. Turner.
William Appleton.
Isaac J. Wetherbee.

BOSTON, TRINITY.

Robert Treat Paine, jun.
 Benjamin F. Nourse.
 Stephen G. Deblois.

BRIDGEWATER, TRINITY.**BROOKLINE, ST. PAUL'S.**

Thomas Parsons.
 Henry S. Chase.
Mortimer C. Ferris.

CAMBRIDGE, CHRIST.

George Dexter.
 Samuel Batchelder.
 Francis C. Foster.

CAMBRIDGE, ST. PETER'S.

James A. Fox.
 Edward R. Cogswell.
 William W. Dallinger.

CAMBRIDGE, ST. JAMES'S.

Charles R. Woods.
 Albert S. Pillsbury.
 Luke H. Whitney.

CHELSEA, ST. LUKE'S.

Alfred J. Mercer.
Edward P. Connor.
William R. Pearmain.

CHICOPEE, GRACE.**DANVERS, CALVARY.**

Benjamin R. Tibbets.
 John R. Fuller.

DEDHAM, ST. PAUL'S.

Ira Cleveland.
 Thomas L. Wakefield.
 Erastus Worthington.

DEDHAM, GOOD SHEPHERD.

E. L. Frothingham, jun.
Charles A. Welch.
John Carter.

EASTHAMPTON, ST. PHILIP'S.

Clarence E. Ware.
Henry E. Alford.

FALL RIVER, ASCENSION.

Borden Chace.
William L. Winslow.
George H. Eddy.

FISKDALE, GRACE.

John H. Harrison.
 William A. Ridgway.

FITCHBURG, CHRIST.

William T. Grinnell.
 Dennis Fay.
 Frederick A. Currier.

FRAMINGHAM, ST. JOHN'S.

Alexander R. Esty.
Arthur C. Blanchard.
 Josiah F. Richardson.

GLOUCESTER, ST. JOHN'S.

George Grier.
Otis E. Smith.
Gustavus Tuckerman.

GT. BARRINGTON, ST. JAMES'S.

M. L. Whitlock.
L. N. Burghardt.
H. T. Robbins.

GREENFIELD, ST. JAMES'S.

Chester C. Conant.
Austin De Wolf.
 Charles R. Field.

HANOVER, ST. ANDREW'S.

Lemuel C. Waterman.
Horatio Bigelow.
 Lloyd Briggs.

HAVERHILL, TRINITY.

Edward F. Adams.
 Thomas Sanders.
 Jones Frankle.

HOLYOKE, ST. PAUL'S.

William Grover.
Henry E. Ewing.
 Isaac Berry.

HOPKINTON, ST. PAUL'S.

Willard Wadsworth.
William Kennedy.
Daniel W. McLeod.

HYDE PARK, CHRIST.

Henry Hyde Smith.
Samuel N. Piper.
 Charles C. Hayes.

IPSWICH, ASCENSION.

George L. Tilton.
 John Birch.
 Joseph W. Woods.

LANESBOROUGH, ST. LUKE'S.

William B. McLaughlin.
Jedediah W. Newton.

LAWRENCE, GRACE.

Thomas Coggswell.
 Charles G. Saunders.
 Andrew D. Blanchard.

LAWRENCE, ST. JOHN'S.

Nathaniel P. H. Melvin.
James Walton.
 Charles C. Talbot.

LEE, ST. GEORGE'S.

C. H. Durant.
G. W. Cheney.

LENOX, TRINITY.**LINCOLN, ST. ANNE'S.**

John Tasker.
 George G. Cheney.
Arthur Johnson.

LONGWOOD, OUR SAVIOUR.

Samuel L. Bush.
 Samuel H. Gregory.
 Amos A. Lawrence.

LOWELL, ST. ANNE'S.

John O. Green, M.D.
John M. Pevey.
Oliver E. Cushing.

LOWELL, ST. JOHN'S.

Albert G. Swan.
 Henry P. Webber.
 Charles R. Kimball.

LYNN, ST. STEPHEN'S.

William F. Johnson.
 Edward S. Davis.
Enoch S. Johnson.

MALDEN, ST. PAUL'S.

Matthew C. Grier.
 George C. Tate.
 Allan J. Chase.

MARBLEHEAD, ST. MICHAEL'S.**MEDFORD, GRACE.**

John B. Folger.
Charles D. Wainwright.
Luther Lapham.

MELROSE, TRINITY.

Horatio N. Perkins.
 Joseph H. Ward.
William L. Williams.

MILFORD, TRINITY.

Charles Dove.
 George G. Parker.
Charles J. Thompson.

MILLVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.

William A. Cole.
James O. Aldrich.
Benjamin Booth.

NANTUCKET, ST. PAUL'S.

Benjamin Robinson.
Charles H. Starbuck.

NATICK, ST. PAUL'S.**NEW BEDFORD, GRACE.**

Benjamin T. Cummings.
 Edward A. Dana.
Horatio Hathaway.

NEWBURYPORT, ST. PAUL'S.

Nathaniel Foster.
 David Wood.
 Alfred W. Lord.

NEWTON (L. FALLS), ST. MARY'S.

Henry F. Spurr.
 John Pulcifer.
 Frank Mills.

NEWTON, GRACE.

Edwin F. Waters.
Adin B. Underwood.
William S. Gardner.

NEWTON (WEST), MESSIAH.

Charles Edward Parker.
Walter C. Ware.

N. ATTLEBOROUGH, GRACE.

Otis Stanley.
Oliver Stanley.
L. A. Bishop.

NORTH ADAMS, ST. JOHN'S.**NORTHAMPTON, ST. JOHN'S.**

William C. Robinson.
William Warnock.
Edwin C. Clapp.

OXFORD, GRACE.**PITTSFIELD, ST. STEPHEN'S.**

William E. Vernilye.
Frank E. Kernochan.
Andrew J. Van Deusen.

PLYMOUTH, CHRIST.**QUINCY, CHRIST.**

Peter Butler.
William Amory, jun.
William L. Wainwright.

ROCHDALE, CHRIST.

Isaac B. Hartwell.
John E. Boardman.
John F. H. Rouse.

SALEM, GRACE.

Benjamin Shreve.
Daniel B. Hagar, Ph.D.
Leverett S. Tuckerman.

SALEM, ST. PETER'S.

Charles H. Bates.
George R. Curwen.
Robert Brookhouse.

SHEFFIELD, CHRIST.**SOMERVILLE, EMMANUEL.**

Alexander R. Benton.
Robert H. Gibby.
Philip Highley.

SOMERVILLE (E) ST. THOMAS'S.

Douglas Frazar.
George Vincent.
Alexander Wood.

SOUTH ADAMS, ST. MARK'S.

Levi L. Brown.
George W. Adams.
Horace M. Holmes.

S. GROVELAND, ST. JAMES'S.

B. Robert Dognes.
William H. Parker.

SOUTHBOROUGH, ST. MARK'S.

Joseph Burnett.
Leander W. Newton.
Henry H. Newton.

SPRINGFIELD, CHRIST.

John B. Stebbins.
James D. Brewer.
Daniel P. Crocker.

STOCKBRIDGE, ST. PAUL'S.

Mason Van Deusen.
Daniel B. Fenn.
George Lawrence.

SWANSEA, CHRIST.

William H. Pearse.
Frank S. Stevens.

TAUNTON, ST. THOMAS'S.

Edmund H. Bennett.
William H. Bent.
William C. Lovering.

TAUNTON, ST. JOHN'S.

Samuel L. Crocker.
William Parkin.
George E. Chambers.

VAN DEUSENVILLE, TRINITY.

John H. Coffing.
Alexander Snyder.

WAKEFIELD, EMMANUEL.**WALTHAM, CHRIST.**

Moses E. Osgood.
Nahum Smith.
William R. Wills.

WEBSTER, RECONCILIATION.

James H. Howe.
William S. Slater.
Amos Bartlett.

WESTFIELD, ATONEMENT.**WEYMOUTH, TRINITY.**

Edward Avery.
William Wallace.
Samuel W. Read.

WILKINSONVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.

Gardner H. Dodge.
James S. Simmons.
Parker Webb.

WOBURN, TRINITY.

James Folsom.
James Graham.
Henry F. Winkley.

WOOD'S HOLL, MESSIAH.*Joseph S. Fay.**Eliel T. Fish.**Charles E. Hatch.***WORCESTER, ALL SAINTS'.***Sumner Pratt.***Edward L. Davis.***Alexander H. Bullock.***WRENTHAM, TRINITY.***Charles J. Randall.**David T. Stone.**Charles S. Doggett.*

The BISHOP then announced the following persons to constitute the Committee on Qualifications : —

The Rev. EMELIUS W. SMITH, the Rev. FRANK S. HARBADEN, the Rev. JAMES A. SANDERSON.

The lists of Clergymen and the certificates of Lay Delegates were handed to this Committee.

The Convention then adjourned to Trinity Church to attend the religious services.

Morning Prayer to the First Lesson was read by the Rev. AMOS SKEELE, the Absolution being pronounced by the BISHOP; the Lessons were read by the Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS; the Nicene Creed and Prayers, by the Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON; the Litany by the Rev. LEONIDAS B. BALDWIN; the Hymns announced by the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D. The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D., the Gospel being read by the BISHOP.

The BISHOP then delivered his second Triennial Charge on

THE PASTORAL RELATION.

The Offertory was then read by the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., and the collections were taken up by the Revs. HENRY J. SHERIDAN, GEORGE H. BUCK, JEREMIAH J. CRESSEY, and FREDERICK B. ALLEN, Deacons. The Prayer for the Church Militant was read by the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., and the Exhortations, &c., to the Prayer of Humble Access, by the Rev. CHARLES AREY, D.D. The BISHOP read the Prayer of Consecration, and administered the Communion to the officiating Clergy. A large number of clergymen and laymen communicated, the elements being distributed by the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., the Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D., the Rev. CHARLES AREY, D.D., and the Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON. The Post-Communion was read by the Rev. AMOS SKEELE, and the Benediction was pronounced by the BISHOP.

The Convention then re-assembled in the Chapel of Trinity Church, and was called to order by the BISHOP, when the Rev. EMELIUS W. SMITH, from the Committee on Qualifications, made the following Report:—

The Committee on Qualifications would respectfully report that they have examined the list of the Clerical Delegates and have found it correct.

They would also report that they have examined the Lay Certificates and have found them correct with the exception of the Certificate from the Church of the Messiah, Boston, which is defective in not stating that the delegates were elected at a regular meeting of the Vestry or Parish, and that they are stated worshippers in the said Church.

E. W. SMITH,
F. S. HARRADEN, } Committee.
J. A. SANDERSON,

The SECRETARY then called the names of Clergymen entitled to *seats and votes*, the names of those entitled to *seats* only, and the list of Lay Delegates.

A quorum of both orders being found to be present, the BISHOP pronounced the Convention open for business.

The first business in order being the election of a Secretary,

On motion of GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.,

Resolved, That the Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S.T.D., be re-elected.

The SECRETARY announced that he had nominated the Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN as his assistant.

The nomination was confirmed by the Convention.

The BISHOP then announced the following Committees:—

	{	The Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL.
	{	" CHARLES WINGATE.
	{	" LEVERETT W. SALTONSTALL.
On the Admission of New Parishes .	{	EDWARD L. DAVIS.
	{	CHARLES G. SAUNDERS.
	{	WILLIAM L. WAINWRIGHT.
	{	The Rev. WM. R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.
	{	" MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D.
On the Constitution and Canons .	{	" EDWARD M. GUSHEE.
	{	EDWARD H. BENNETT.
	{	DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D.
	{	The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE.
Executive Committee	{	" WILLIAM LAWRENCE.
	{	WILLIAM F. JOHNSON.
	{	The Rev. WILLIAM L. HIMES.
Committee on Unfinished Business .	{	HENRY P. WEBBER.
	{	EDWARD F. ADAMS.
	{	The Rev. GEORGE WALKER.
Committee on Finance	{	FREDERICK L. GREEN.
	{	FRANK W. REYNOLDS.

An application for admission into union with the Convention was made by the Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton, which was referred to the Committee on New Parishes.

Resolved, That the Convention now take a recess until half-past three o'clock this P.M.

Adjourned.

HALF-PAST THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of the Rev ALFRED E. JOHNSON,—

Resolved, That Clergymen belonging to other Dioceses, Candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, former members of this Convention, all persons holding office or trust under the Convention, if not members thereof, being present at its sittings, and the Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Trinity Church, Boston, be invited to honorary seats in this body.

The following appeared, and took seats under this resolution :—

The Rev. S. H. WEBB	<i>Providence, R.I.</i>
" EDWIN HARWOOD, D.D.	<i>New Haven, Conn.</i>
" JOHN GREGSON	<i>Bath, Me.</i>
" C. J. PALMER	<i>Bangor, Me.</i>
" W. P. LEWIS, D.D.	<i>Central Pennsylvania.</i>
" JOHN COLEMAN	<i>Connecticut.</i>
" JACOB LE ROY	<i>Nashua, N.H.</i>
Mr. E. L. RAND	<i>Candidate for Holy Orders.</i>

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BURROUGHS,—

Resolved, The members of the Convention have heard with deep regret that the Rev. William Henry Brooks, D.D., for the last fifteen years the efficient, faithful, and laborious Assistant Secretary, is prevented by illness from attending the present Session, and they desire to convey to him the assurance of their kind sympathies, and of their earnest wishes and prayers for his restoration to health.

Voted, That the SECRETARY communicate to the Rev. Dr. Brooks this action of the Convention.

This resolution was unanimously passed by a rising vote.

On motion of DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D.,—

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocesan Board of Missions be invited to an honorary seat, with the privilege of speaking on any matter concerning Missionary work in the Diocese.

The BISHOP then delivered his ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Bishop Paddock's Address.

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

Fully conscious of the great draft which I have already made upon your time and patience by the Charge read this morning, I shall confine myself in this Address within the narrowest possible limits, omitting mention of some things which, under other circumstances, I should bring before you.

The general condition of the diocese is reasonably prosperous; there being however great room for improvement, and abundant fields yet unoccupied. Since we last met, I have been enabled to rejoice over considerable parochial debts paid, and valuable property otherwise gotten or secured to the Church. St. Matthew's, Worcester, through very generous help of a few in All Saints', is freed from a heavy encumbrance, and has been consecrated. St. Mary's, Dorchester, has nobly exerted itself and has lifted \$3,400 off its indebtedness, insuring its future safety. Ascension, Ipswich—a beautiful church almost *given* to us of this diocese through the liberality of the Rev. Dr. John Cotton Smith and his friends in New York—has raised \$2,700 towards its complete freedom. St. John's, Millville, has swept off its little but heavy debt. St. James's, New Bedford, cuts down its indebtedness by \$1,100. All Saints', Worcester, has recently swept off by a single offering on the altar its sole remaining parish debt of \$15,000. St. James's Chapel, West Somerville, by an equally commendable effort of itself and its mother church, St. James's, Cambridge,—has freed itself from indebtedness, and has been consecrated. The mortgage on St. John's, Boston Highlands, amounting to upwards of \$5,800, has been paid by the people's hearty effort, generously seconded by warm friends of the parish. An elegant rectory for Trinity, Boston, is in building. Christ Church, Waltham, has paid \$2,200 on its charming new rectory, leaving

no grievous burden behind. A large and convenient rectory and grounds have been secured to St. John the Evangelist's, Haverhill, through the loving bounty of its already and daily bountiful benefactor, our dear brother Wingate. St. John's, Lawrence, has wisely erected, but not paid for, an excellent rectory; and has paid \$500 on a parish debt.

The Episcopal Theological School at Cambridge is the possessor of a beautiful stone Refectory, the sole gift of Mr. John A. Burnham, whom may God refresh and strengthen for his bounty toward Christ's future ministers. The once heavy indebtedness on the Huntington House, adjoining the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston, has been reduced of late by the sum of \$8,500. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents has reduced its estate debt \$6,800 since last April.

We have made some advance in our church buildings; but more in the way of improvements than of erections. Work is rapidly progressing on the noble Memorial Church which a much blessed and truly grateful layman of Boston is about to erect, with the co-operation of the people of the parish, for St. Stephen's, Lynn. A new church is to arise at once at St. Mark's, South Adams, lifted into its possibilities of dignity and beauty by the munificent gifts of a single family in the parish. St. George's, Lee, has completed and entered upon its new church, more beautiful than the old, and enriched with an excellent organ. With less of personal sacrifice than is usual in such cases, the insurance gotten a little before the fire having paid for nearly every thing — all is done without debt. It is peculiarly painful to me, and to many, that I have been unable to persuade the Vestry to have the new marble house *consecrated*, as was the old, and thus publicly given to the Lord forever as His holy temple. But I record with gratitude how graciously God hath dealt with them. The mission at Wakefield, admirably worked by a candidate for Holy Orders, has secured a lot and is gradually gathering funds for building. The Church of the Atonement, Westfield, has greatly revived, and, on an excellent site, is about to lay the corner-stone of a church, and build this summer. St. Anne's, Chelmsford, has begun a new church. The Church of our Saviour, Longwood, has erected a convenient and tasteful Parish Building, of stone, costing about \$4,000. Grace Church, New Bedford, is about to build a new and large church,

on an admirable site given by an excellent woman, Miss Rodman, whose recent death is greatly lamented. The Messiah, Auburndale, has purchased an eligible lot, and will soon commence its building. Our venerable St. Andrew's, Hanover, has erected a seemly and beautiful new chancel and reconstructed the interior of the church. The Good Shepherd, Boston, is greatly improved by decoration: the Church of the Advent also shows like improvement. Ascension, East Cambridge, has greatly bettered its "own hired house" of worship, and received the memorial gift of a beautiful font, from the daughter of one of our venerated clergymen. A beautiful memorial window in St. Mark's, Southborough, put there by the boys of St. Mark's School, commemorates Elizabeth W. Coolidge, a young Christian maiden, who, like Persis and Phœbe of old, was greatly "beloved," and "a succorer of many;" and who indeed, it needs not painted glass to tell, was a guardian angel to many a youth over the rocky and sea-girt paths of school life and developing boyhood.

The missionary and benevolent work of the diocese is doing fairly well. The Church Home for Orphans is always full with its 100 round, bright faces, and it has many friends. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents gains steadily, year by year, on the confidence, the esteem, and the conscience of our good people. All, or nearly all, of our general Charities have received bequests of considerable value during the past year. We have very few vacant Parishes if we count out those where services have been advisedly discontinued. The Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary reported at its last annual meeting the best year's work ever done in this diocese, its financial results footing up as high as \$13,300; and considerable sums have been received since that meeting. The Diocesan Board of Missions is enabled to report all its obligations to the missionaries discharged, and no indebtedness; and it has three or four hundred dollars in its treasury.

I should rejoice the more in this, did I not feel that our scale of expenditure is not as large as it once was, and that we greatly need larger work for Christ. Our treasury is more at peace than our consciences: we are badly in debt to our Lord, to His Church, and to the fair demands of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Since the last Convention, I have made 129 official *Visitations*, besides 33 occasions of official presence for Ordinations, Convo-

cations, and the like. On 128 different occasions I have confirmed in or for the Churches named below, 1,083 persons; viz.:—

Fiskdale	1	Swansea	1
Newton	16	Newton Lower Falls	5
Auburndale	3	Peabody	6
Boston, Evangelists' (Two Visitations)	23	Danvers	7
Amherst	10	New Bedford, St. James's	7
Northampton	7	" Grace	6
Greenfield	8	North Attleborough	1
Ashfield	1	Malden	11
Easthampton	2	Wellesley College	2
Westfield	2	Milford (Two Visitations)	14
West Springfield	3	Clinton	6
Springfield	7	East Boston	6
Holyoke	8	Boston, St. Mary's for Sailors	3
Lawrence, Grace	27	Natick	1
" St. John's	19	Dedham, Good Shepherd	5
Wood's Holl	3	Boston, St. Stephen's	3
Nantucket	1	" Advent (Two Visita- tions)	69
Lincoln	1	Woburn	3
S. Boston, St. Matthew's (Two Visitations)	36	Framingham	3
Hanover	1	North Cambridge	8
Ipswich	4	West Somerville	2
Beverly (Two Visitations)	11	Boston Good Shepherd	14
Gloucester	3	Dorchester, St. Anne's	13
Wrentham	6	" St. Mary's	7
Quincy	11	" All Saints'	9
Wilkinsonville	2	Boston, St. Luke's Home	9
Millville	2	Worcester, St. Matthew's	8
Weymouth	2	" All Saints'	41
Williamstown	1	Jamaica Plain	6
North Adams	10	Marblehead	6
Pittsfield	14	Lynn	10
Lenox	4	Chelmsford	3
Stockbridge	4	Lowell, St. John's	11
Van Deusenville	2	" St. Anne's	22
Great Barrington	14	" House of Prayer	2
Fall River, Ascension	8	Cambridge, St. John's, Memorial,	10
" Flint Mission	12	Chelsea	4
" Globe Mission	32	Hyde Park	4
		Boston, Messiah	11

Brookline	8	Salem, Grace	6
Somerville, St. Thomas's	14	Medford	16
" Emmanuel	9	Waltham	11
Boston Highlands, St. John's	17	Salem, St. Peter's	13
" " St. James's	28	Dedham, St. Paul's	5
Melrose	6	Boston, St. Mark's	6
Boston, Christ	12	" Trinity	50
" Emmanuel	15	Andover	6
Plymouth	8	Methuen	29
Taunton, St. John's	5	South Groveland	8
" St. Thomas's	15	Haverhill, Trinity	0
Charlestown	4	" St. John the Evan-	
Cambridge, St. Peter's	14	" gelist's	8
" Christ	8	Wakefield (Two Visitations)	0
Longwood	8	Newburyport	10
South Boston, Grace	12	Fitchburg	22
Boston, St. Paul's	18	Southborough	10

The Journal of my other official acts, with certain lists required by canon and others perhaps having interest and value, I append to this Address; to be read to the Convention if called for, otherwise to lie on the table for reference. A brief Epitome of them would read as follows:—

Baptisms	4
Confirmations (number of administrations)	129
" (" confirmed)	1,083
Celebrations of the Holy Communion	21
Sermons preached	155
Addresses delivered	131
Catechisings	14
Other public services	36
Theological Examinations, Trustee and Committee Meetings, &c.	75
Burials	7
Lay-readers licensed (from Advent to Advent)	40
Postulants (admitted, 5), present number	9
Candidates for Deacon's Orders (admitted, 1), present number	1
" " Priest's Orders (admitted or received, 10), present number	23
Ordinations (Deacons, 4; Priests, 7), total	11
Clergymen deceased	4
" received	8
" transferred	10

Clergymen, present number (Bishop, 1 ; Priests, 142 ; Deacons, 7),	150
Churches consecrated	2
Churches or chapels newly opened	1
Bishops-elect, consent given	8

The General Convention meets in October of the present year, and will make its already severe, and ever growing, tax on the physical strength, the conscientious faithfulness, and the sound judgment of those who are honored in being elected to its membership. The draft is heavy on the time, the strength, and the patient waiting on the conflict of opposing but often enlightening opinions. It is your canonical duty this year to choose out from among you eight good and true men who shall represent this ancient and honored diocese unweariedly, ably, and wisely. Among the important matters to come before the great synod is the question of making preparation at least for some change in the body itself, perhaps by the gradual introduction of a "Provincial System." Our present General Convention is an unwieldy, slow, and costly body ; full of benefit to the Church, but sooner or later destined to modification in its constituency, or its powers, or its occasions of meeting, or possibly in them all. God grant that the men gathered next October may be true "children of Issachar, . . . men that have understanding of the times to know what Israel ought to do." I hope that for a few weeks preceding — and of course during — the meeting of Convention, prayers will be offered for wisdom and guidance in every church throughout the diocese.

I have been led to think that we as a diocesan Church have a duty to discharge towards a great subject that has burdened the heart and conscience of General Conventions for years. I mean the increasing frequency and immorality of divorce. I need not say that the subject touches the very bonds, nay foundations, of society : and unless greater interest be taken in the matter by Christian people the religion of Christ will soon be grievously dishonored. The Legislatures of Connecticut and Vermont have already made some changes for the better. Ex-President Woolsey's admirable book and present efforts are working for good. The Convention of the diocese of Connecticut has exerted its influence with other Christian bodies on the Legislature. The Congregationalists of Massachusetts and New Hampshire have

committees at work. The Massachusetts Bureau of Statistics has just given us a valuable chapter on the subject, and the history of all our legislation upon it. It is alarming to note that our yearly divorces, which in 1860 were 243, have increased until, in 1878, they were 600.

I respectfully suggest the creation of a strong committee by your body, to consider this growing evil and the question of the need and practicability of farther legislation in reference to it; such committee to report in full at the next Convention.

Every year takes from us some of the Godly men and women on whom the Church has learned to rely, and whose loss we greatly feel: but I have already given you reasons why it is wiser to restrain my natural desire to commemorate such before this body. We have lost also four of our ordained brethren, altogether Godly and efficient men in the days of their health, altogether respected and beloved in the days of their weakness and physical inability. All of them had been reckoned for years among those whom some, I fear, are almost setting before the world as the *proscribed*, viz., the so-called "unemployed clergy." It was God who called three of them from their excellent work, and forbade all farther entrance on it. The Rev. Andrew Croswell was the founder of St. James's, North Cambridge, and having loved that church loved it unto the end. But for many weary years he has been unequal to any thing more than occasional ministrations, here and there; of late years, hardly even this. A wife who was as truly a minister of Christ as he, saving ordination to priestly functions, — one of the loveliest, gentlest, most patient, most sanctified of sufferers — was smilingly called home to God during the autumn of 1878; and "lovely and pleasant in their lives, in death they were not divided" for a long space. He followed, dying at Cushing's Island, near Portland, Me., June 30, 1879, being 57 years of age; and a few of us met in old Christ Church, Cambridge, on the 2d day of July, to weep with those who wept — yes, and to rejoice with those who rejoiced. He was a wise, scholarly, true, and holy man of God.

The Rev. James Douglass Reid died at Webster, Jan. 29, 1880, in the 57th year of his age; and was buried by the Rector of St. John's, Gloucester, and myself on a beautiful hill-side among the trees and rocks of the cemetery which he, as Rector of Gloucester,

had well loved. It was in the autumn of 1876, after many months of almost complete inability to labor, that he severed the pastoral tie of ten years at St. John's, Gloucester, to accept the offer of a house in the dryer inland climate of Rochdale, and then of Webster; a kindness accompanied by many others from a noble-hearted layman, and continued until the sodded grave testified that all was over. God grant comfort and peace to that layman's heart now that the pillar of his own happy house has been shaken down and he and his motherless children need the consolation wherewith he has comforted others. Mr. Reid had so gained on the insidious consumption that last autumn he accepted a call from Colorado, and expected much from its sanitary climate; but he broke suddenly on the very eve of going West, and died shortly after. He was greatly esteemed among us all for his simplicity and godly sincerity, for his reading and studies, his efficiency and his spotless life. The Lord be gracious to his widow and only daughter, left without one of their kith or kin this side of the Atlantic Ocean.

On Feb. 21, 1880, in East Boston, our reverend and esteemed brother, George Denham, died in the 62d year of his age. He came to us from the Congregational Communion at a somewhat advanced period of his life and was "a man of strong faith, unwavering principle, and upright life;" and his abilities as an instructive and able preacher were well known among his brethren of the clergy. He has of late held no rectorship but has supplied parishes for considerable periods and, I believe, always acceptably. A goodly number of the clergy met at St. Peter's, Cambridge, Feb. 24, to pay their last token of respect to our worthy brother, at his burial.

On April 16, 1880, the Rev. Roger S. Howard, D.D., went from our company with a suddenness which took many by surprise, and which made it impossible for me to respond in person to the kindly summons to be at his burial in Greenfield. He was nearly 73 years of age, but possessed of such vigor, buoyancy, and working qualities generally, that he could not satisfy his conscience to lay down the pastoral care of his united and beautiful church at Webster, for needed rest, until about a year ago. A graduate of Dartmouth, he found a congenial field for his excellent scholarship in teaching; and when he resigned the presidency of Norwich

University, he could look back upon about 30 years of such work. He entered upon the Church's ministry late in life — well-nigh 50 years old — but not too late to make full proof of his ministry, which has been one marked by peace, love, wisdom, labor, and success. He was a truly *good* man, and we bless God for the good examples of such men when they finish their course in faith, and rest from their labors.

The Church at large mourns over its loss in the departure of two of its most eminent men, Bishop Odenheimer of Northern New Jersey, and Bishop Whittingham of Maryland. The former was not yet 62 years of age but had been greatly broken for several years: the latter was nearly 74, and had of late withdrawn from some of his most arduous labors and responsibilities. Both were men of boundless self-sacrifice, ceaseless labors, clear convictions with prompt and courageous action, strong and outspoken (though ever sober and well-balanced) churchmanship, and ardent, unquestioned piety. Both were strong in scholarship, effective in preaching, great and helpful in counsel. Bishop Whittingham was *facile princeps* among the scholars on the bench of Bishops and perhaps on our list of clergy. And he was as much esteemed and honored in the Church of England as by ourselves. They lived to see vast growth in their respective dioceses, and they died honored and mourned by intelligent Churchmen throughout the reformed and Catholic Church everywhere. Their works do follow them.

May the spirit of power, and of love, and of a sound mind be with you all as you now address yourselves to the duties of representatives of this Diocesan Church in Council assembled.

BENJ. H. PADDOCK,

Bishop of Massachusetts.

NINETIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION,
TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON, April 28, 1880.

APPENDIX I.

I append lists of interest and value (most of which are required by canon) under three heads : —

I. HELPERS AND SEEKERS OF THE SACRED MINISTRY.

1. LAY READERS.

(Holding License till Advent, 1880.)

Thomas Mair.	John W. Suter.
Clarence E. Kelley.	Benjamin H. Downes.
James W. Preston.	Alfred H. Washburne.
Edgar W. Upton.	William H. Burbank.
Frederick A. Warner.	Alexander Burdon.
Henry P. Webber.	Ralph W. Kenyon.
Frederick C. Cowper.	Samuel Snelling.
Henry R. Sargeant.	George H. Bliss.
Percy G. Webber.	Henry W. Winkley.
E. C. Millett.	Edward L. Davis.
Frank A. Sanborn.	George C. Wilson.
William Bailey.	J. D. W. French.
Charles W. K. Morrill.	Julius W. Atwood.
Henry M. Snell.	Winfield S. Kilton.
Paul Sterling.	Albert S. Pillsbury.
Edmund R. Woodman.	Augustine H. Amory.
Andrew A. Harwood.	William C. Lovering.
George A. Holbrook.	Richard Middleton.
Williams Howland, jun.	Edmund S. Rousmaniere.
James M. Hubbard.	William L. Williams.

2. POSTULANTS.

Robert L. Winkley	. . . . .	Admitted July 7, 1876.
Gustavus Tuckerman, 2d	. . . . .	" March 9, 1877.
Henry M. Tupper	. . . . .	" May 4, 1877.
Wyllis Henri Stone	. . . . .	" May 28, 1877.
Thomas Mair	. . . . .	" Sept. 11, 1879.
Henry R. Sargeant	. . . . .	" Dec. 2, 1879.
Joseph A. Ticknor	. . . . .	" Jan. 6, 1880.
James Baird, D.D.	. (Admitted candidate in New York)	Nov. 21, 1879.
Charles L. Wells	. . . . .	Admitted April 20, 1880.

3. CANDIDATE FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

Edward A. Rand Admitted Jan. 6, 1880.

4. CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

J. Jewett Cressay (Deacon)	Admitted Sept. 9, 1876.
Henry J. Sheridan (Deacon)	" Sept. 13, 1876.
David J. Ayers	" June 21, 1877.
John A. Bevington	" Sept. 7, 1877.
Edmund R. Woodman	" Oct. 2, 1877.
Angustine H. Amory	" Oct. 2, 1877.
James W. Gilman	" Nov. 6, 1877.
Paul Sterling	" Nov. 6, 1877.
William H. Burbank	" May 9, 1878.
Francis G. Burgess	" May 9, 1878.
Samuel Hodgkiss	" Sept. 17, 1878.
Frederick W. Dennis	" Oct. 1, 1878.
Henry S. Nash	" Jan. 7, 1879.
Frederick B. Allen (Deacon)	" April 14, 1879.
Charles M. Addison	" July 2, 1879.
George H. Buck (Deacon)	Received by Letters Oct. 6, 1879.
Julius W. Atwood	" Oct. 11, 1879.
Benjamin S. Sanderson,	Admitted Oct. 18, 1879.
Samuel Snelling	" Nov. 4, 1879.
Melville K. Bailey	" Nov. 5, 1879.
Thomas W. Nickerson (Deacon)	" Nov. 14, 1879.
James E. Wilkinson	" Dec. 4, 1879.
Frank H. Bigelow	Received by Letters Feb. 14, 1880.

II. THE CLERGY RECORD.

1. ELECTION OF BISHOPS.

Consent Given.

The Rev. Samuel R. Harris, D.D., LL.D., to be Bishop of Michigan.
 " Thomas A. Starkey, D.D., to be Bishop of Northern New Jersey.
 " John N. Galleher, D.D., to be Bishop of Louisiana.

2. ORDINATIONS TO THE DIACONATE.

June 18, 1879. John Nelson Jones, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
 June 29, 1879. Jeremiah Jewett Cressy, } at Nashotah, Wis., by Bp. Welles,
 June 29, 1879. Henry J. Sheridan, } at my request.
 Nov. 5, 1879. Frederick Baylies Allen, in Grace, Newton.

3. ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD.

June 13, 1879. Leverett Bradley, jun., in Trinity, Boston.
 June 13, 1879. Reuben Kidner, in Trinity, Boston.
 June 13, 1879. Arthur Henry Barrington, in Trinity, Boston.
 June 13, 1879. Albert Eugene George, in Trinity, Boston.
 June 13, 1879. Charles Remington Talbot, in Trinity, Boston.

- Jan. 20, 1880. George Stephen Bennitt, in All Saints', Dorchester.
 Jan. 20, 1880. Edward Abbott, in All Saints', Dorchester.

4. RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES.

- Oct. 3, 1879. William Montague Geer, from New York.
 Oct. 6, 1879. George H. Buck (Deacon), from New York.
 Nov. 24, 1879. James F. Spalding, from Connecticut.
 Dec. 19, 1879. Leonidas B. Baldwin, from Connecticut.
 Dec. 24, 1879. P. Voorhees Finch, from Colorado.
 Jan. 6, 1880. Arthur M. Backus, from Ohio.
 Jan. 21, 1880. Langlon C. Stewardson, from Southern Ohio.
 Feb. 2, 1880. Augustus Prine, from Albany.

5. TRANSFERRED¹ TO OTHER DIOCESES.

- July 8, 1879. Benjamin F. Newton, to Northern Texas.
 July 19, 1879. Silas M. Rogers, to Albany.
 Sept. 4, 1879. Leverett Bradley, jun., to Maine.
 Sept. 17, 1879. Daniel Goodwin, to Rhode Island.
 Sept. 17, 1879. Pelham Williams, D.D., to Albany.
 Sept. 27, 1879. John N. Jones, to Fredericton.
 Nov. 19, 1879. Frederic Palmer (Deacon), to Rhode Island.
 Nov. 29, 1879. Thomas Cole, to New York.
 April 9, 1880. William Montague Geer, to Long Island.
 1880. Richard F. Putnam, to New York.

6. DECEASED.

- June 30, 1879. Andrew Croswell.
 Jan. 29, 1880. James D. Reid.
 Feb. 21, 1880. George Denham.
 April 16, 1880. Roger S. Howard, D.D.

7. RESIGNATIONS.

- Daniel Goodwin, Rector, St. Paul's, Dedham.
 Benjamin F. Cooley, Rector, Atonement, Westfield.
 Frank S. Harraden, Rector, St. John's, East Boston.
 Samuel R. Bailey, Rector, Christ, Rochdale.
 Andrew Gray, Missionary, St. Stephen's, Boston.
 Leverett Bradley, jun., Assistant, Trinity, Boston.
 Samuel Hollingsworth, D.D., Rector, St. James's, Greenfield.
 Thomas Cole, Rector, St. Margaret's, Brighton.
 Thomas W. Nickerson, Assistant, St. Matthew's, South Boston.
 Albert E. George, Rector, St. George's, Lee.
 Joshua R. Peirce, Rector, St. Mary's for Sailors, Boston.
 Henry A. Metcalf, Rector, Trinity, Melrose.
 William M. Geer, Rector, St. John's, North Adams, and in charge of Mission at Williamstown.

¹ The date given is the canonical one, viz., that of the acceptance of the Letters Dimissory.

8. ELECTIONS OR APPOINTMENTS.

Henry E. Cotton, Assistant, Holy Trinity, Paris, France.

Frank S. Harraden, Missionary, St. Stephen's, Boston.

William Montague Geer, Rector, St. John's, North Adams, and Missionary,
St. John's, Williamstown.

Henry J. Sheridan, in charge, Atonement, Westfield.

J. Jewett Cressy, in charge, House of Prayer, Lowell.

George R. Wheelock, Rector, Grace, North Attleborough.

A. R. Jennings, Minister, St. Mark's, South Adams.

George H. Buck, Assistant, Emmanuel, Boston.

B. F. Cooley, Rector, Emmanuel, Chelmsford.

Frederick B. Allen, Assistant, Trinity, Boston.

P. Voorhees Finch, Rector, St. James's, Greenfield.

Leonidas B. Baldwin, Rector, St. Mark's, Boston.

James F. Spalding, Rector, Christ, Cambridge.

Arthur M. Backus, Rector, St. Paul's, Dedham.

Langdon C. Stewardson, Rector, Reconciliation, Webster.

Joshua B. Peirce, in charge, St. Anne's Chapel, Boston.

Augustus Prime, Rector, St. Margaret's, Brighton.

Thomas W. Nickerson, Minister, Christ, Rochdale.

William H. Munroe, Rector, St. John's, East Boston.

Albert R. George, Rector, St. John's, North Adams.

III. CHURCHES.

1. CONSECRATED.

Feb. 8, 1880. St. Matthew's, Worcester.

April 8, 1880. St. James's Chapel, West Somerville.

2. OPENED ANEW.

St. George's Church, Lee (burned, and rebuilt).

3. IN BUILDING.

St. Anne's Church, Chelmsford.

St. Stephen's Church, Lynn.

Church of the Messiah, Auburndale.

Church of the Atonement, Westfield.

St. Mark's, South Adams.

APPENDIX II.

JOURNAL OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

1879.

- May** 14. St. Paul's Church, Boston. Eighty-ninth Annual Convention of the Diocese. Opened the preliminary meeting at 9 o'clock; and, later, presided at the Opening Services of the Convention, celebrating the Holy Communion. Presided at the noon and afternoon business sessions, at the latter delivering my Annual Address.
- " 15. Morning Prayers with the Convention. Presided at the remaining session. Convention dissolved about 2 P.M.
- " 16. A.M.: Boston; Theological Examination with the Chaplains. P.M.: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 18. 5th Sunday after Easter, A.M.: Norwich, Conn.; Christ Church; preached.
- " 22. Ascension Day, A.M.: same place; made an address, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Grace, Fiskdale; preached, and confirmed 1.
- " 25. Sunday after Ascension, A.M.: Grace, Newton; preached; confirmed 16, and addressed them. P.M.: Messiah, Auburndale; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 27. Evening: Trinity, Bridgewater; preached.
- " 28. Evening: Evangelists, Boston; preached; confirmed 23, and addressed them.
- June** 1. Whitsunday, A.M.: Grace, Amherst; Morning Prayer. Later: preached, celebrating the Holy Communion; confirmed 10, and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, Northampton; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 2. Monday in Whitsun-week, evening: St. James's, Greenfield; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 3. Tuesday in Whitsun-week, evening: St. John's, Ashfield; preached; and confirmed 1.
- " 4. Ember Day, evening: St. Philip's, Easthampton; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 5. Evening: Atonement, Westfield; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 7. Ember Day, evening: Good Shepherd, West Springfield; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 8. Trinity Sunday, A.M.: Christ, Springfield; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 7, and addressed them. P.M.: St. Paul's, Holyoke; confirmed 1 in private. Evening: preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.

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June 10, 11, 12. Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge: Annual Examinations.

- " 11. P.M.: Boston; Board of Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School. Later: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission. Evening: Bishop's conference with those to be ordained to the Priesthood.
- " 13. A.M.: Trinity, Boston; ordained to the Priesthood the Rev. Messrs. Barrington, Kidner, Bradley, George, and Talbot, Dr. Phillips Brooks being the preacher.
- " 15. 1st Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Grace; Lawrence; catechised and addressed Sunday School; preached; confirmed 23, and addressed them. Also a brief address on Diocesan Missions. Afternoon: St. John's; catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: same church; preached; confirmed 19, and addressed them.
- " 17. P.M.: Boston; Executive Committee of the Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 18. A.M.: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; presided at Annual Commencement of the Episcopal Theological School, and ordained J. Nelson Jones to the Diaconate; also preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 20. Evening: Messiah, Wood's Holl; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 22. 2d Sunday after Trinity: St. Paul's, Nantucket; preached. P.M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: preached, and confirmed 1.
- " 24. Hartford, Conn.: Executive Committee of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry.
- " 25. A.M.: Chapel of Trinity College; took part in the service. Later: meeting of the Corporation of Trinity College. P.M.: second session of the Corporation.
- " 26. Trinity College Commencement: attended officially.
- " 27. Boston: Diocesan Board of Missions; Executive Committee Episcopal City Mission.
- " 28. Boston: conference in the matter of parish difficulties.
- " 29. 3d Sunday after Trinity, and St. Peter's, A.M.: St. Anne's, Lincoln; preached, and confirmed 1. P.M.: Mission at Concord; preached,
- July 1. Evening: St. Matthew's, South Boston; preached; confirmed 20 (4 being from St. Luke's Home for Convalescents), and addressed them.
- " 2. P.M.: Christ, Cambridge; took part in the funeral service of the Rev. Andrew Croswell.
- " 6. 4th Sunday after Trinity: service and sermon at York Beach, Me.
- " 13. 5th Sunday after Trinity: service and sermon at York Beach, Me.
- " 20. 6th Sunday after Trinity: service and sermon at York Beach, Me.
- " 23. St. Peter's, Brooklyn, N.Y., and Middletown, Conn.: in attendance at the funeral of my dear mother.
- " 27. 7th Sunday after Trinity: celebrated the Holy Communion at York Beach, Me. Later: service and sermon.
- Aug. 10. 9th Sunday after Trinity, All Saints', Littleton, N.H., A.M. and evening: assisted and preached.

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- Aug. 17. 10th Sunday after Trinity, Nativity, Bethlehem, N.H., A.M. and P.M.: services and sermons.
- " 24. 11th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Paul's, Wallingford, Conn.; preached.
- " 31. 12th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: All Saints', Littleton, N.H.; preached.
- Sept. 7. 13th Sunday after Trinity, A.M. and P.M.: Trinity, Holderness, N.H.; preached in the venerable old church.
- " 12. P.M.: St. Andrew's, Hanover; preached; and confirmed 1.
- " 14. 14th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Ascension, Ipswich; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them. Evening: St. Peter's, Beverly; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 15. Evening: St. John's, Gloucester; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 17. Evening: Trinity, Wrentham; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 21. 15th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Christ, Rochdale; preached. P.M.: Mission, Cherry Valley; preached.
- " 22. St. Mark's School, Southborough: Annual Meeting of the Trustees.
- " 25. Boston: joint meeting of the Trustees and Lady Associates of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents. Evening: Christ, Quincy; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 28. 16th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. John's, Wilkinsonville; preached. P.M.: Mission, Millbury; preached. Evening: St. John's, Wilkinsonville; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 20. St. Michael and All Angels'. Evening: St. John's, Millville; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- Oct. 1. Boston: Diocesan Board of Missions. Evening: Trinity, Weymouth; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 2. Boston: Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.
- " 3. P.M.: St. John's, Williamstown; preached, and confirmed 1. Evening: St. John's, North Adams; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 4. P.M.: St. Luke's, Lanesborough; prolonged conference with the Vestry. Later: service and sermon in the church.
- " 5. 17th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Stephen's, Pittsfield; celebrated the Holy Communion; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them. P.M.: Trinity, Lenox; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 6. Evening: St. Mark's, South Adams; preached.
- " 7. St. Paul's, Stockbridge; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 8. Evening: Mission, South Lee; preached.
- " 9. P.M.: St. Paul's, Otis; preached. Evening: St. George's, Lee; held a long conference with the Vestry.
- " 10. Evening: Trinity, Van Deusenville; preached; confirmed 4 (2 being from St. James's, Great Barrington).
- " 12. 18th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. James's, Great Barrington; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them. P.M.: Christ, Sheffield; preached.

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- Oct. 14. P.M.: New York City; Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. Evening: Grace Church; opening of the Missionary Conference.
- " 15. Association Hall, New York: address at the Public Conference.
- " 16, 17. In attendance at the Conference.
- " 19. 19th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Philip's, New York; preached. P.M.: Grace, Brooklyn Heights; assisted. Evening: St. Peter's, Brooklyn; preached.
- " 20. Evening: St. Ann's Chapel, Brooklyn; addressed Diocesan Sunday School Teachers' Conference.
- " 21. St. Mark's, Orange, N.J.: attended funeral of Bishop Whittingham.
- " 22. A.M.: St. Peter's, Albany, N.Y.; assisted at Morning Prayer.
- " 22, 23. Albany: in attendance on the Church Congress.
- " 26. 20th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Ascension, Fall River; preached; confirmed 20 (12 being from Flint Mission), and addressed them. P.M.: Christ, Swansea; preached; and confirmed 1. Evening: Globe Mission, Fall River; preached; confirmed 32, and addressed them.
- " 27. Evening: Good Shepherd Mission, Brockton; preached.
- " 28. P.M.: Boston; Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission; Conference on Parish matters.
- " 29. Boston: quarterly meeting of the Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge. Evening: St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 30. Lynn: conference in reference to a new church.
- " 31. Evening: St. James's, North Cambridge: Commemorative Service for the Rev. Andrew and Mrs. Crosswell, and uncovering of the Memorial Tablet; preached, many of the clergy and laity being present.
- Nov. 1. All Saints', A.M.: Good Shepherd, Boston; celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Annual Meeting of the Episcopal Church Association.
- " 2. 21st Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Good Shepherd Mission, Peabody; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 6, and addressed them. Evening: Calvary, Danvers; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 3. Boston, A.M.: Examination for Deacon's Orders. P.M.: City Mission Executive Committee. Later: Trustees of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.
- " 4. Evening: Grace, Newton: Tenth Semi-Annual Diocesan Missionary Meeting; opening services.
- " 5. Missionary Meeting continued, and ordination of Mr. F. B. Allen, a former Congregationalist minister, to the Diaconate; preached a *Concio ad Clerum*, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Sunday School Meeting; made an address. Evening: presided at the Missionary Meeting. A most edifying and interesting series of services, cheered by cordial co-operation and hospitality on the part of the Parish.
- " 6. Boston: Episcopal Charitable Society.

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- Nov. 9. 22d Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. James's, New Bedford; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them. Evening: Grace, New Bedford; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 10. A.M.: Grace, New Bedford; confirmed 1 in sickness. Evening: Grace, North Attleborough; preached, and confirmed 1.
- " 11. Boston: Trustees St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.
- " 12. Boston: Episcopal City Mission.
- " 16. 23d Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Paul's, Malden; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them. P.M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: Mission, Wakefield; preached.
- " 18. Boston, A.M.: presided at and addressed meeting in behalf of the Girls' Friendly Society. P.M.: Meeting of the Clerical Fund Directors. Later: the Corporation of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 19. Boston, A.M.: Trustees of the Church Home for Orphans. P.M.: St. Paul's Chapel; Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, the Rev. G. B. Cooke and Dr. Bunn making addresses. Evening: St. Paul's Church; Anniversary of the Woman's Auxiliary; presided, and made an address, Dr. William R. Huntington preaching.
- " 20. Evening: Grace, Lawrence; opening services of the Eastern Convocation.
- " 21. Same Church, A.M.: confirmed a late Presbyterian minister received as a Postulant (since received as a Candidate in New York), and celebrated the Holy Communion. Later: presided at the Conference of the Convocation.
- " 23. 24th Sunday after Trinity, Wellesley, A.M.: Morning Prayer with the students, and later a special meeting with our Church girls; full services, sermon, and Holy Communion in the Chapel of Wellesley College; confirmed 2, and addressed them. I have rarely held a more inspiring and impressive service than with these 360 young women and their teachers: each with a prayer-book, and honestly endeavoring to join in the service (quite new to very many of them), their responses and sacred songs were delightful. This College seems to me as worthy of honor for its pronounced Christian character as also for the magnificence of its appointments and its buildings, and the beauty and healthfulness of its hills, forests, and lake. Its domains are probably not surpassed by any thing of a like nature in this country. All honor to its munificent founder!
- P.M.: Mission at Wellesley; with Mr. Gifford, our faithful missionary (who assisted me at the College this A.M.), held service and preached in the Congregationalist House of Worship, courteously offered for our use. Evening: St. Paul's, Natick; preached, and confirmed 1.
- " 24. Evening: Trinity, Milford; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them. The Rev. Andrew Gray is efficiently supplying this vacant Parish.
- " 25. Church Home for Orphans, South Boston: Annual Meeting of members and friends. The Rev. Mr. Parks made the address.

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- Nov. 23. Boston: Trustees of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.
- " 30. 1st Sunday in Advent, and St. Andrew's, A.M.: Good Shepherd, Clinton; after Morning Prayer, catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Later: preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 8, and addressed them. Evening: preached.
- Dec. 1. Boston: conference with several of the clergy on a disciplinary matter.
- " 3. P.M.: Women's Temporary Home, Dedham; held service at this excellent Charity, and preached.
- " 5. Appointed the Rev. George P. Huntington, Rector of St. Paul's, Malden, an Examining Chaplain.
- " 7. 2d Sunday in Advent, A.M.: Good Shepherd, Oakdale, Dedham; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them. P.M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School.
- " 10. Boston: Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 11. Boston: conference of friends of the Wells Memorial.
- " 14. 3d Sunday in Advent, A.M.: St. John's, East Boston; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. Evening: St. Mary's for Sailors, Boston; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 21. 4th Sunday in Advent, and St. Thomas's, A.M.: St. Stephen's, Boston; catechised and addressed the Sunday School; confirmed 6 (3 being from St. John's, East Boston), and addressed them. Evening: Church of the Advent, Boston; preached; confirmed 26, and addressed them.
- " 23. St. Stephen's: Church Home, South Boston; preached. Evening: Evangelists', Boston; address at the Sunday School Festival.
- " 27. St. Paul's, Boston: assisted at the funeral of Surgeon-General Taylor, an officer and much-valued member of that Parish.
- " 28. 1st Sunday after Christmas, and the Innocents', A.M.: Ascension Mission, East Cambridge; preached; also catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: Evangelists', Boston; preached.

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- Jan. 1. Boston: Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.
- " 4. 2d Sunday after Christmas, A.M.: St. John's, Arlington; preached. Evening: Trinity, Woburn; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 6. Epiphany, evening: St. John's, Framingham; baptized three adults and a child; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them. The Parish is under the care of a Candidate for Holy Orders.
- " 11. 1st Sunday after Epiphany, A.M.: St. James's, North Cambridge; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 8, and addressed them. P.M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Later: met the Vestry for conference. Evening: St. James's Chapel, West Somerville; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 13. Evangelists', Boston, Southern Convocation, A.M.: celebrated the Holy Communion; afterwards presided at and addressed the meeting for discussion. P.M.: presided at second meeting. Evening: addressed the Missionary Meeting.

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- Jan. 14. Boston: at "The Penitent Female Refuge" held a brief service, and addressed the inmates. A most interesting and blessed Charity. May God bless and multiply all such!
- " 18. 2d Sunday after Epiphany, A.M.: St. Matthew's, South Boston; preached; confirmed 20, and addressed them. Evening: St. Peter's, Cambridge; preached.
- " 20. A.M.: All Saints', Dorchester; Morning Prayer. Later: ordained to the priesthood the Rev. George S. Bennitt and Edward Abbott, the Rev. George W. Durell being the preacher.
- " 25. Septuagesima, and Conversion of St. Paul, A.M.: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them. Evening: St. Anne's Chapel, Boston; preached; confirmed 13, and addressed them. This chapel is now under the immediate care of the Rev. J. R. Peirce, assisting the Rector of St. James, and is very prosperous.
- " 26. Boston: Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School.
- " 31. St. John's, Gloucester: assisted at the funeral of the Rev. James D. Reid, a former and much-beloved Rector, and one of our most esteemed fellow-workers.
- Feb. 1. Sexagesima, A.M.: St. Mary's, Dorchester; addressed the Sunday School; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 7, and addressed them. P.M.: All Saints', Dorchester; catechised and addressed the Sunday School; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 2. The Purification, P.M.: St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 3. P.M.: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission. Evening: Church of the Advent, Boston; Eastern Convocation; presided at and addressed the Missionary Meeting.
- " 4. A.M.: same church; celebrated the Holy Communion, and presided at a meeting for discussion. P.M.: Diocesan Board of Missions at the Church Rooms.
- " 6. A.M.: St. Michael's, Marblehead; made an address at the 100th anniversary of the re-opening of the church for services, by Abraham Woodford, a Lay Reader, after its close during the War of the Revolution.
- " 8. Quinquagesima, A.M.: St. Matthew's, Worcester; consecrated the church, the Rev. Messrs. Osgood (Rector), Paine, and Fales assisting. I preached. P.M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School, Mr. Fales also making an address. Later: catechised and addressed the Sunday School of All Saints', Worcester. Evening: in All Saints'; preached; confirmed 41, and addressed them.
- " 11. Ash Wednesday, evening: St. John's, Jamaica Plain; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 15. 1st Sunday in Lent, A.M.: St. Michael's, Marblehead; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them. P.M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. Stephen's, Lynn; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them.

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- Feb. 17. A.M.: Boston, at the State House addressed a Legislative Committee on a question of public concern to intelligence and good morals. P.M.: Emmanuel, Boston; assisted, and made an address.
- " 18. P.M.: St. Paul's Chapel, Boston; took part at the meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, Bishop Hare making an address.
- " 19. Noon: St. Paul's, Boston; address at a Lenten Service. Evening: St. Paul's, Boston; presided at a meeting of the Dakota League Division of the Woman's Auxiliary, Bishop Hare and Dr. Phillips Brooks making addresses.
- " 20. Boston: Executive Committee of the City Mission.
- " 21. Ember Day, P.M.: St. Anne's, Chelmsford; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 22. 2d Sunday in Lent, A.M.: St. John's, Lowell; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them; also made a brief address in behalf of Diocesan Missions; catechised and addressed the Sunday School. P.M.: St. Anne's, Lowell; preached; confirmed 22, and addressed them. Evening: House of Prayer, Lowell; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 24. St. Matthias', P.M.: St. Peter's, Cambridge; funeral of the Rev. George Denham. Evening: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 26. Noon: St. Paul's, Boston; address at a Lenten Service. Evening: St. Luke's, Chelsea; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 29. 3d Sunday in Lent, A.M.: Christ, Hyde Park; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 4, and addressed them. Evening: Messiah, Boston; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- March 1. A.M.: Trinity Chapel, Boston; opened the Annual Meeting of the Young Women's Christian Association, and made an address.
- " 4. Noon: St. Paul's, Boston; address at a Lenten Service. P.M.: Corporation meeting of the Parish of St. Mary's for Sailors. Later: Sub-Committee of the City Mission Executive Committee.
- " 5. Evening: St. Paul's, Brookline; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 7. 4th Sunday in Lent, A.M.: St. Thomas's, Somerville; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them. P.M.: Emmanuel, Somerville; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 10. Evening: St. John's, Boston Highlands; preached; confirmed 17, and addressed them.
- " 11. Noon: St. Paul's, Boston; address at a Lenten Service. P.M.: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 12. Evening: Trinity, Melrose; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 14. 5th Sunday in Lent, A.M.: St. James's, Boston Highlands; preached; confirmed 27, and addressed them. P.M.: Christ, Boston; preached; confirmed 13 (1 being from All Saints', Dorchester), and addressed them.
- " 15. P.M.: St. Peter's, Beverly; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them. This was a second visitation.

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- March 16.** Evening: Trinity, Milford; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them. A second visitation under the efficient administration of the Rev. A. Gray.
- " 17. P.M.: confirmed 2 in private for the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston. Evening: Emmanuel, Boston; preached; confirmed 15, and addressed them.
- " 18. Noon: St. Paul's, Boston; address at a Lenten Service.
- " 19. Evening: Christ, Plymouth; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 21. Sunday before Easter, A.M.: St. John's, Taunton; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them. P.M.: after catechising, addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. Thomas's, Taunton; preached; confirmed 15, and addressed them.
- " 23. Tuesday before Easter, evening: St. John's, Charlestown; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 24. Wednesday before Easter, evening: confirmed 1 in private for St. Peter's, Cambridge; and at the church preached; confirmed 13, and addressed them.
- " 25. Thursday before Easter, and Annunciation, noon: St. Paul's, Boston; address at a Lenten Service.
- " 26. Good Friday, evening: The Saviour, Longwood; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 27. Easter Even, P.M.: St. Paul's, Boston; preached; confirmed 18, and addressed them.
- " 28. Easter Day, A.M.: Christ, Cambridge; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 3, and addressed them. Evening: Grace, South Boston; preached; confirmed 12 (1 being from the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston), and addressed them; afterwards 1 in private for Grace Church.
- " 31. Evening: Grace, Salem; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- April 2.** St. Mary's for Sailors, Boston: presided at the Annual Meeting of the parish. Later: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission. Evening: Mission, Wakefield; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them. Later: consultation with the people as to the work.
- " 4. 1st Sunday after Easter, A.M.: Grace, Medford; preached; confirmed 16, and addressed them. Evening: Christ, Waltham; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 6. Boston: regular meeting of the Diocesan Board of Missions. Evening: St. Peter's, Salem; Eleventh Semi-Annual Diocesan Missionary Meeting, Opening Service; confirmed 13, and addressed them, the Rev. E. M. Gushee preaching an able and valuable missionary sermon.
- " 7. A.M.: same place and meeting; celebrated the Holy Communion; and preached *ad clerum*. P.M.: presided at the meeting in behalf of Sunday-school interests. Evening: presided at the final missionary meeting.
- " 8. State Fast Day: consecrated St. James's Chapel, West Somerville; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. This is an excel-

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lent work under the care and motherly interest of St. James's, Cambridge.

- April 10. A.M.: St. Peter's, Cambridge; officiated at the funeral of Mrs. Julia Gushee, the mother of the excellent Rector of the church.
- " 11. 2d Sunday after Easter, A.M.: St. Paul's, Dedham; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them. Evening: St. Mark's, Boston; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 12. A.M.: at the Church Rooms, Boston; presided at a clergy meeting to confer with Dr. Bunn, our Medical Missionary in China. P.M.: conference with a committee from a Parish Meeting.
- " 14. Evening: Trinity, Boston; preached; confirmed 51, and addressed them.
- " 15. Evening: Emmanuel, Boston; presided at a Foreign Missions Meeting under the auspices of the Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. Dr. Phillips Brooks preached, and Dr. Bunn of the China Mission made an address.
- " 16. P.M.: Christ Church, Andover; confirmed 1 in private; afterwards preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them. Evening: St. Thomas's, Methuen; preached; confirmed 29, and addressed them; afterwards met the Vestry at my own request.
- " 17. P.M.: St. James's, South Groveland; confirmed 1 in private. Evening: preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 18. 3d Sunday after Easter, A.M.: Trinity, Haverhill; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them. P.M.: St. John the Evangelist's; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. Evening: Trinity; preached.
- " 19. P.M.: St. James's, Amesbury; preached. P.M.: Newburyport; met a committee from the Vestry of a distant parish. Evening: St. Paul's, Newburyport; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 20. Boston: Annual Meeting of the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.
- " 22. Boston: Committee from a Vestry.
- " 23. Evening: Church of the Advent, Boston; preached; confirmed 43, and addressed them.
- " 24. Evening: Christ Church, Fitchburg; confirmed 2 in private.
- " 25. A.M.: Christ Church, Fitchburg; preached; confirmed 20, and addressed them. P.M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: preached.
- " 26. A.M.: St. Mark's School, Southborough; Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees. P.M.: St. Mark's Church; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 27. A.M.: meeting of the Directors of the Episcopal Clerical Fund; meeting of the Trustees of the Widows' and Orphans' Society; meeting of the Society itself. P.M.: Diocesan Board of Missions. Evening: Emmanuel, Boston; presided at and addressed a public meeting in behalf of the Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 28. Trinity Church, Boston: at 9 A.M., in the chapel, presided at the preliminary meeting of this Ninetieth Annual Convention; and later, in the church, took part in the Opening Services; celebrated the Holy Communion, and delivered my Second Triennial charge.

The Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL, from the Committee on New Parishes, made the following Report: —

The Committee on Admission of New Parishes respectfully report that they have examined the application of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton, and, finding the same correct, would recommend its admission into union with the Convention.

GEORGE W. DURELL, *Chairman*.

Resolved, That the Parish of the Good Shepherd, Clinton, be admitted into union with the Convention.

On motion of Dr. SHATTUCK, —

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the subject of Divorce be referred to a Special Committee of five.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. CARLETON, —

Resolved, That the sentence in Art. II. of the Constitution, which reads, "or who has, during an aggregate of thirty years, performed some one or more of the duties above described," be so altered as to read, "*or who has, from the date of his ordination until he has attained the age of 60 years, performed some one or more of the duties above described.*"

This resolution was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. Dr. BURROUGHS, Secretary of the Standing Committee, read the Annual Report of that body.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts respectfully present to the Convention their Annual Report.

The Committee was organized on the third day of June, 1879, by the election of the Rev. Thomas R. Lambert, D.D., as President, and of the Rev. Henry Burroughs, D.D., as Secretary.

Ten meetings have been held during the year.

The Committee have signed the Canonical Testimonials consenting to the Consecration of the Rev. Samuel S. Harris, D.D., Bishop-Elect of the Diocese of Michigan; the Rev. Thomas Alfred Starkey, D.D., Bishop-Elect of the Diocese of Northern New Jersey; and the Rev. John N. Galleher, D.D., Bishop-Elect of the Diocese of Louisiana.

They have signed the Testimonials required by the Canons, recommending to the Bishop the following persons to be admitted as Candidates for Holy orders: Edward A. Rand, late a Congregational minister, Charles Morris Addison, Benjamin Smith Sanderson, Samuel Snelling, and Melville K. Bailey.

They have also signed the Canonical Testimonials recommending to the Bishop, for Deacon's orders, John Nelson Jones and Frederick Baylies Allen,

and, for Priest's orders, the Revs. Charles Remington Talbot, George Stephen Bennitt, Arthur Henry Barrington, and Edward Abbott.

The Committee, by a vote of three-fourths of all the members, advised and consented to the admission to the Priesthood of the Revs. Reuben Kidner, Arthur Henry Barrington, Albert E. George, and Charles Remington Talbot, within one year from their reception of Deacon's orders. The consent of three-fourths of all the members of the Committee was given to the ordination to the Diaconate of Jeremiah Jewett Cressey and Henry J. Sheridan, within three years from their admission as Candidates for Holy Orders, and of John Nelson Jones and Frederick Baylies Allen within one year from their admission as Candidates for Deacon's Orders.

All applications for recommendations to be received as Candidates, or for Deacon's or Priest's orders, lie over for one month, and are published in "The Churchman."

The bill of "The Churchman," amounting to \$7.68, for publishing the resolutions upon the death of Robert M. Mason, Esq., has been approved.

The Committee have examined and approved the Constitution and By-laws, and the evidences of organization, and of the circumstances and need of organization, of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton.

The Standing Committee, in view of the solemn responsibility attending the recommendation of persons seeking admission to the ministry, desire to call the attention of the Clergy and Laity to the necessity of greater care in the preparation of Testimonials certifying to the fitness of the applicants. In the judgment of this Committee the intention of the Canons requiring these Testimonials to be signed by the Vestry of a Parish, is that, in every case, the Vestry shall be duly convened, and the signatures affixed in Vestry Meeting. A paper signed by several persons individually, who are members of a Vestry, has not the weight and importance of a testimonial deliberately adopted and signed in a Vestry Meeting. In order that the Standing Committee may know that a Certificate was signed by a majority of the Vestry at a meeting duly convened, this fact must be explicitly stated on the face of the Testimonials. This is required by Canon 2 of Title I, § iii. [3] in the case of a postulant asking to be admitted as a Candidate: it is of far greater importance when the Candidate is recommended as a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred orders of Deacons and Priests.

If, instead of a certificate from a Vestry, the alternative allowed by the Canons is adopted, and the signatures of laymen are procured, satisfactory reasons must be presented in writing to the Standing Committee, who are made by the Canons "the sole judge of the propriety of receiving Testimonials signed by others than a Rector and Vestry."

The intent of the Canons allowing Testimonials in certain cases from "twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in place of a Vestry," evidently is that these twelve should be, not clergymen, nor candidates for orders, but laymen. Unless they are personally known to the Standing Committee, their residences, and the names of the parishes to which they belong, should be given; and it is desirable that their Rectors should certify to the fact of their being communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Respectfully submitted for the Standing Committee.

HENRY BURROUGHS, *Secretary*.

The Report was accepted.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD, from the Diocesan Board of Missions, presented the Annual Report of that Body.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS
FOR THE YEAR 1879-80.

The Treasurer's statement exhibits in detail the receipts and expenditure for the year.

The total receipts for the year 1879-80 have been \$9,157.68, from the following sources:—

Balance from Account of 1878-79	\$2.00
From Parish Offerings	8,177.68
" Individual Gifts	483.00
" Special Gifts for Extinguishment of Parish Debts	350.00
" Interest Account	105.00
" Mass. Church Missionary Society	40.00
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	\$9,157.68

Included in the receipts from "Parish Offerings" are the following receipts from Convocations:—

Southern Convocation	\$7.36
Eastern Convocation	63.39
Central Convocation	19.85
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Total	\$90.60

Receipts from Convocations are credited to the parishes in which the Convocation meetings are held, the distinction, however, from the usual parish offerings for the Diocesan Board being noted.

The total expenditure for the year has been \$8,230.57, for the following purposes:—

Payment of Stipends to Parishes and Missions	\$7,642.49
Publication and Distribution of "The Diocese"	186.68
Expense Account	39.90
Expense of Missionary Meeting	11.50
Extinguishment of Parish Debts: Westfield	\$100.00
" " " " Emmanuel, Somerville	100.00
" " " " Millville	150.00
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	350.00
Total expenditure for the year	<hr/>
	\$8,230.57

A hundred and ten Parishes and Missions have contributed during the year 195 offerings to the treasury of the Board, and a total sum of \$8,177.68, as compared with 113 parishes and missions, 200 offerings, and a total sum of \$7,540.46 the previous year, showing a loss of 3 in the number of contributing parishes, of 5 in the number of offerings, and a gain of \$637.22 in the amount contributed.

The receipts for the year have been \$927.11 more than the expenditure, and

the Board therefore appears before the Convention for the first time in its history without debt.

Thirty-three Parishes and Missions have been aided during the year by the ordinary appropriation of the Board, as follows:—

Arlington, Ashfield, Bridgewater, Brighton, Brockton, Cambridge, Chelmsford, Clinton, Danvers, Dorchester (All Saints'), Easthampton, Fall River, Gloucester, Lee, Milford, Millbury, Millville, Nantucket, Natick, North Attleborough, Otis, Plymouth, Peabody, Rockdale, Sheffield, Somerville (St. Thomas), Van Deusenville, Wakefield, Westfield, Wilkinsville, Williamstown, Woburn, Wrentham.

Special gifts have been made through the treasury of the Board for the extinguishment of the debt of Emmanuel Parish, Somerville; the Atonement, Westfield; and St. John's, Millville.

Rev. Thomas Cole resigned the rectorship of St. Margaret's, Brighton, and the care of the Parish of the Messiah, West Newton and Auburndale, Nov. 1, 1879.

He was succeeded at St. Margaret's, Brighton, Feb. 1, 1880, by Rev. Augustus Prime.

Rev. G. W. Shinn, Rector of Grace, Newton, has very kindly assumed the care of the Parish of the Messiah, West Newton and Auburndale, since the Rev. Mr. Cole's retirement. The Parish has recently purchased a lot of land, with a view to the erection of a church building as soon as may be found practicable.

Rev. A. E. George resigned the rectorship of St. George's, Lee, at Easter, April 1, 1880, since which time the Parish has been under the temporary charge of Rev. O. C. Adams.

Trinity, Milford, remained vacant from April 15, 1879, when Rev. G. R. Wheelock resigned as rector, until Oct. 12, 1879, since which date Rev. Andrew Gray has been in charge. Grace Church, North Attleborough, remained vacant from Dec. 15, 1878, the date of the death of Rev. F. A. Fiske, until Sept. 1, 1879, when Rev. G. R. Wheelock entered upon the rectorship. Christ Church, Rockdale, became vacant Oct. 15, 1879, by the resignation of Rev. S. R. Bailey. Rev. T. W. Nickerson entered upon his duties as minister-in-charge on Feb. 8, 1880. Rev. B. F. Cooley resigned the rectorship of the Parish of the Atonement, Westfield, June 15, 1879, and was succeeded July 10, 1879, by Rev. Henry J. Sheridan as minister-in-charge. The Parish succeeded in December last, with a little aid contributed through the Board, in extinguishing its debt. It has since received a generous gift of a desirable lot of land for the erection of a church building, and the present condition and outlook is altogether hopeful and encouraging.

St. John's, Williamstown, received the appropriation of the Board from July 13, 1879, to March 4, 1880, under the charge of Rev. W. Montague Geer, Rector of St. John's, North Adams, who resigned it at the latter date.

St. John's, Millville, with a little aid contributed through the Board, and very strenuous efforts on its own part, has recently extinguished a debt which constituted an encumbrance upon its rectory, and the Parish is now wholly free from debt.

In presenting this Sixth Annual Report, with the details of the work and condition of our Diocesan Missions for the past year, the Board would add that there are many encouraging features to be noted. In all the places under the care of the Board, the work has been steadily carried on; and at present every

Parish and Station aided by the Board is provided with clerical service. It may be said, that in no previous year of the history of this Board has the condition of the missionary work of the Diocese been more generally hopeful and promising than during the year now ended. With hardly an exception, the results of our work are encouraging, and in a few instances the signs of vigor and interest and of future growth are very marked. But, not to dwell on this point, it is the main purpose of this Report to call the attention of the Convention and of the Diocese to the fact that the policy of the Board for the past four years has been that of striving to hold its present work in such a state of security and efficiency as its limited means would permit, with scarcely any attempt at enlargement, or the occupancy of new fields.

Its scale of expenditure has been steadily reduced, year by year, to the limit of what might be regarded as assured resources from the annual offerings of the parishes of the Diocese.

The annual appropriation has been cut down from \$11,077.76, in 1875-76, to \$7,642.49, the past year, — a reduction in five years of \$3,435.27. It is due rather to accidental circumstances that the work of the Board has not in some cases received serious injury by this process of reduction. It cannot be longer continued without such injury and loss as must necessarily react upon the Diocese in diminishing interest and support.

It is shown also that reduction in the appropriations of the Board is certainly accompanied by a reduction of its resources. Urgent need in the prosecution of our work seems to be the necessary condition for earnest support on the part of the Diocese. The time is come when the Board must urge and claim a more liberal support. To remain content with our present efforts means that we shall fall back. We must make present work more secure and effective: we must meet the new opportunities which are offering for the extension of our Church.

The Board has had under consideration the desirability of appointing one or more itinerant missionaries, and is only waiting for the necessary increase of receipts to make such appointments. The subject is one in which much interest has been expressed both by clergy and laity, and the Board earnestly hopes that this interest may be shown by more liberal offerings.

The Board, in its position of agent and representative of the Diocese, can recognize but two facts, — on the one hand, the claims which press upon it; on the other, the known resources of the Diocese.

A second year's experience of the system of parish pledges for the support of the work of the Board during the year has afforded further evidence of its practical value and helpfulness. In closing this report to the Convention, the Board therefore submits the following resolution; viz., —

Resolved, That the Parishes, and all congregations where regular services of this Church are maintained, be now called upon in alphabetical order, by the Secretary of the Convention, to state the amount which they may severally be expected to contribute to the treasury of the Board the coming year.

Resolved, That the Report be accepted, and the resolution be adopted.

The ASSISTANT SECRETARY then called the roll of the Parishes, each Parish, as called, stating the amount for which it pledges itself.

The Rev. E. W. SMITH, from the Committee on Qualifications, reported that the Certificate from the Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton, is correct.

The Report was accepted.

The Certificate of Lay Delegates from the Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton, was then handed in, and the names of the Delegates called by the Secretary as follows:—

CHARLES GODFREY STEVENS.

HENRY N. BIGELOW.

JOHN JOHNSON.

The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS, from the Eastern Convocation, presented the following Report:—

The Eastern Convocation respectfully reports as follows:—

Meetings have been held during the year at St. John's Church, Lowell, the Church of the Ascension, Ipswich, Grace Church, Lawrence, and the Church of the Advent, Boston. Increased attendance, especially in the Parishes visited, hearty services, much social and spiritual gain, attest the quickened life of Convocation. It only remains for the clergy to show by regular attendance their determination to increase its influence in the Diocese.

The Exploration Committee have done but little, for the reason given a year since, — the too large demand on the time of the rectors of parishes.

The towns of Georgetown, Rowley, Wenham, Hamilton, and North Reading, have been visited, and some families of Church people discovered.

The Convocation would again urge the appointment of one or more missionaries at large by the Diocesan Board, that this neglected portion of our work may be fully provided for. At the annual meeting held on Monday, April 26, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—

Dean. — The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D.D.

Treasurer. — The Rev. N. K. BISHOP.

Secretary. — The Rev WILLIAM G. WELLS.

Members of the Board of Missions from Convocation:—

Clerical. — The Rev. E. L. DROWN.

Lay. — CHARLES G. SAUNDERS, Esq.

\$82.78 has been received from offerings at the meetings. Of this amount \$33.39 was paid to the Treasurer of the Diocesan Board after the annual meeting, agreeably to the by-laws of the Convocation.

WM. G. WELLS, *Secretary.*

LAWRENCE, April 27, 1880.

The Rev. GEORGE E. OSGOOD, from the Central Convocation, presented the following Report:—

The Central Convocation presents to the Convention the following report:—

The annual meeting was held at the Church of the Reconciliation, Webster, on November last. The Rev. R. S. Howard, D.D., the former Dean, having resigned from the district, the Rev. J. I. T. Coolidge, D.D., was elected Dean.

The Rev. J. D. Reid was re-elected Secretary, and Mr. James H. Howe and the Rev. H. L. Foote were elected members of the Board of Missions.

A meeting has since been held at Christ Church, Fitchburg. In the interim the Convocation met with a great loss in the death of its much esteemed Secretary, the Rev. J. D. Reid, who, by his interest in the Church's prosperity, and his sincere Christian life, had made himself beloved by all who knew him.

A majority of the Parishes in Worcester County being missionary stations, a growing desire is felt to bind them more firmly together by a joint interest in the work of the Church, which these meetings of the Convocations are intended to promote.

GEO. E. OSGOOD, *Secretary*.

The Rev. ANDREW GRAY presented the Report of the Southern Convocation.

REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN CONVOCATION, 1880.

The Southern Convocation held its sessions as usual during the past year, meeting at St. Paul's Church, Brookline, Christ Church, Plymouth, and Chapel of the Evangelists, Boston. These gatherings were especially earnest as to the Missionary work within the limits of the Southern Convocation. By vote, a Missionary Committee was appointed, and at least twenty towns have been explored during the year. In some of these towns it is to be hoped that buildings for church services will be reported at the next Diocesan Convocation. The work will be continued till each town has been thoroughly canvassed. Among much good mission-work it would be unwise, perhaps invidious, for a Presbyter to make any selection; but, at the last meeting of the Convocation, the Bishop, as Chairman, especially commended the work of the missionary at Plymouth and Brockton, the Rev. James Augustus Sander-son, and desired that it should be so expressed upon the Record of the Southern Convocation.

In order that the Missionary principles of our Convocation may be fully understood, it is recommended that the resolution of the Diocesan Convention of 1842, under which the Southern Convocation was formed, be printed with this Report.¹

Respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH JENKS, *Secretary*.

The Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS presented the Report of the Western Convocation.

The Western Convocation presents to the Convention the following report:—

Two meetings have been held, — one in St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge, in September, and one in St. Paul's Church, Holyoke.

The plan has been adopted, with marked success, of holding meetings alternately in the valleys of the Connecticut and that of the Housatonic, and the Convocation is in a flourishing condition.

¹ This will be found in Appendix C.

The officers for the ensuing year are Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, Dean; Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS, Secretary; Rev. D. G. ANDERSON, Treasurer.

JOHN C. BROOKS.

SPRINGFIELD, April 27.

The Chair appointed the following as the Special Committee on so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the subject of Divorce:—

The Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D.D. ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN.
The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
The Rev. SUMNER U. SHEARMAN.

The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, Chairman, presented the Report of the Committee on Printing, which was read by the Assistant Secretary:—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

The Committee beg leave to report, that, by direction of the Convention, the Canon and Journal were printed together in the Journal of 1879, and thirteen hundred copies were issued. The printing was given to the lowest bidder at a large reduction from the low price of the year before.

By resolution of the Convention, copies of the Bishop's Address, printed upon cheap paper, were to be issued by the Committee, with full power as to number of the editions. By request, one edition of five thousand copies, and another of one thousand copies, were so issued.

Respectfully,

JOSEPH JENKS.
GEO. W. SHINN.
JOS. H. CLINCH.

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing be continued as the Committee for the current year.

GEORGE DEXTER, from the Committee on Hospitality, reported that they had provided hospitality for all the Clergy who had been reported to them.

EDWARD L. DAVIS, from the Committee on Episcopal Church Rooms, offered the following Report:—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH ROOMS.

At the last meeting of the Convention of the Diocese, the undersigned were appointed a committee to secure, if possible, some suitable building to be used for the meetings of the Convention and its committees, and also for various other Diocesan purposes.

A building suitable for these purposes should be located in some easily-accessible neighborhood in the city of Boston, and should be so arranged as to include rooms for offices, meetings of societies, and a hall large enough to seat at least three hundred persons. The cost of such a building would depend largely upon the site selected, the style of architecture, and the size of the structure; but it is thought, that, exclusive of the cost of the land, a building answering every purpose could be built for from twenty thousand to thirty thousand dollars.

A somewhat more economical plan might be to purchase, remodel, and enlarge some dwelling-house already built, although the former plan is decidedly preferable, inasmuch as very few dwelling-houses have sufficient depth to provide the space needed for the Hall.

If sufficient means can be had for the purpose, the Committee believe it would be best to put up a new building, planned to suit the needs before specified.

However, if contributions are limited, and it should become necessary to get along with a smaller sum, it would be possible to find some old-fashioned residence on a side street near one of the principal thoroughfares, that could be remodelled and enlarged, and thus made to answer reasonably well.

Possibly twenty thousand dollars would cover the total expense of such a plan, including the land and improvements.

We are not without hope that some one or more persons may be willing to provide sufficient funds to enable the Diocese to own a House worthy of the Diocese, and with all the accommodations needed for its various committees and organizations.

Other religious bodies have found it necessary to do what we are now trying to do; and some of them, through the liberal contributions of their members, are now the possessors of convenient houses centrally located, where their committees and societies hold their sessions, and much of their business is transacted.

Your Committee have considered various suggestions which have been made; such as that of fitting up rooms in rented buildings, securing the use of part of the Huntington House and the Chapel of the Good Shepherd; but there seem to be no advantages in these temporary expedients over the occupation of the Rooms now maintained by the Episcopal Church Association on Hamilton Place. Where there seem to be advantages, they are overbalanced by the remoteness of the places from the centre of the city.

Your Committee believe that this whole subject should be brought to the attention of our church people, in the hope that some way may be devised sooner or later for securing the greatly needed Diocesan House.

In the mean time it seems proper that the Convention should encourage the Episcopal Church Association in keeping open the Church Rooms on Hamilton Place, and that, in consideration of the facilities they offer for the transaction of some portions of the work of the Diocese, an appropriation should be made, as last year, from the treasury of the Convention.

The Committee beg leave to offer the following Resolutions:—

Resolved, 1st, That the Treasurer of the Convention be authorized to pay to the Treasurer of the Episcopal Church Association the sum of four hundred dollars for the use of the Church Rooms, during the current year, for the meetings of committees and organizations of the Diocese.

3d, That a committee of five be appointed by the Bishop to secure a suitable building in Boston for the uses of the Diocese.

3d, That this Committee be authorized to solicit contributions towards the purchase or erection of such a building.

4th, That, in the event of a sufficient sum being pledged, they be empowered to expend the same for the above purpose.

GEO. W. SHINN.

GEO. Z. GRAY.

E. R. MUDGE.

EDWARD L. DAVIS.

ROBT. TREAT PAINE, JUN.

On motion—

The Report was accepted, and the resolutions were adopted.

The CHAIR appointed the following to form the Committee on Episcopal Church Rooms.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN.

The Rev. G. ZABRISKIE GRAY, D.D.

ENOCH R. MUDGE.

ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN.

EDWARD L. DAVIS.

JOHN L. BLATCHFORD, from the Diocesan Board of Missions, presented a partial report respecting the pledges made by the parishes.

The TREASURER of the Convention presented his Annual Report. (Appendix.)

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., from the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund, presented the following Report:—

The Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund are sorry to report that the fund is only larger by one hundred and seventy-one dollars and forty-six cents than it was last year, and that it is still a little less than ninety thousand dollars. The Committee has served sixteen years; and during that time nearly forty thousand dollars have been added to the fund. There are still twenty-four parishes that have never contributed; twelve parishes that have given their assessment for only one or two years out of the seven. Of parishes giving notes, only five are in arrears. These facts show conclusively the necessity and importance of parishes giving notes. An excuse for not doing this is, they cannot run in debt. Answer is made, that the debt is already incurred. An assessment has been laid by the Convention, binding in honor upon every parish, and great pains have been taken to assign to each parish its proper share of this common obligation. A parish is as much bound to contribute to the support of the Bishop as to that of its own clergyman. Now, this has been said repeatedly to all these parishes, with all the persuasiveness and eloquence at the disposal of members of the Committee. A way of dealing with these parishes may be learnt in our Bibles, in what our blessed Lord says of the unjust judge and the widow. They are to be wearied

out with importunity. They all now regard your Committee as a nuisance; but they must be brought to look upon them as such an intolerable nuisance as to be abated gladly by paying the dues. This, to be sure, is pleasant neither for the Committee nor for the delinquent brethren. They plead poverty; though the Convention has refused to receive such an excuse. Besides, too, the twenty-four parishes giving nothing are reported as having given, last year, seven hundred and twenty dollars to objects outside of their parishes. Surely these brethren need to be taught that debts must be paid first; that we must be just; and that generosity at the expense of justice is worthless. In the exhortation to do good to all men it is said especially to those of the household of faith. There are fourteen hundred and sixty communicants in these delinquent parishes; and if each communicant would give one cent a week, or fifty cents a year, the treasury would be full. Is this a heavy burden? Is this a difficult matter? Let each one do his small insignificant part; let the treasurer of each parish see to the collection of the sum. The Committee acknowledge their obligations to the clergy of contributing parishes for their prompt and valuable assistance in reminding their parishioners of so important a duty as that of providing for the support of him who is set over us in the Lord, of the head of our household of faith. They now appeal to the Rectors of these delinquent parishes to be instant in season and out of season, enforcing upon the consciences of their people the duty of providing for those of their own household, of ministering to him that teacheth in all good things, and of what the apostle says of those neglecting such duties. This is a duty of all, young and old, rich and poor. How much is said in our Prayer-book of the duty of contributing systematically and liberally of our worldly substance! The wealthy parishes of the Diocese have been prompt in this matter; and we now need and have a right to ask for the contributions of those to whom a smaller amount of the unrighteous Mammon has been committed. The Roman Catholics and the Methodists understand this matter; and those churches are thus enabled to extend their operations and influences to those greatly needing them. Is it not very sad that fourteen hundred communicants should be neglecting so important a duty from year to year, and be contented with doing nothing?

This matter of providing a sufficient maintenance for the Bishop should be concluded before another Convention meets. Your present Committee has served sixteen years; and, though all are in the land of the living, we have not the vigor and energy of youth, and our words of exhortation and remonstrance are received as idle tales. Let a new Committee be appointed, of young, active, and zealous men, who can visit parishes, and convince them of the urgent importance of the matter, and of the peril to their own souls in such a persistent neglect of duty. If these parishes, one and all, would do their part, twelve thousand dollars would be added to the fund; eight hundred dollars would be added to the income, which would be adequate to the payment of the salary, and of the repairs, taxes, and insurance of the Episcopal residence, according to the obligations assumed by the Convention.

We bring this matter for the action of the Convention in the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That this Convention hears with great regret of the delinquency of so many parishes, and urges upon the Rectors of these parishes a duty of bringing before their people a statement of their obligations to contribute to the fund.

Resolved, That this Convention recognizes the importance and necessity of all parishes contributing to the fund, in cash or in notes.

Resolved, That we now proceed to the appointment of a committee, whose duty it shall be to press this matter with such force and persistency as to be able to report at the next Convention that every parish has recognized its obligations, and that there is no longer a delinquent parish in the Diocese.

GEO. C. SHATTUCK.
T. C. AMORY.
J. P. ELLICOTT.
CHAS. O. WHITMORE.
RUSSELL STURGIS, JUN.

The Report was, on motion, accepted, and the first two resolutions appended thereto were adopted.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

The CHAIR appointed the following to form that Committee:—

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
THOMAS C. AMORY.
J. P. ELLICOTT.

CHARLES O. WHITMORE.
RUSSELL STURGIS, JUN.

The Rev. Dr. BURROUGHS presented the following Report from the Trustees of a Fund for the Building of Churches:—

REPORT OF THE "CHURCH-BUILDING FUND."

The Trustees of the "Church-Building Fund" have to report that the principal of the fund has received no additions during the year, nor subsequent to June 27, 1875, at which date it amounted to \$1,017.55.

Only the income of the present principal of the fund is available for its uses, and this has been as yet so small that it has not been deemed expedient to make use of it. The accrued interest, amounting to \$228.91, has, therefore, been added to the principal, making the present total of principal and interest \$1,246.46.

The existence and purpose of this Fund has had its first practical recognition within a few days, having been made the channel for conveying a small gift towards the erection of a church-building at Easthampton from a sister parish, in grateful recognition of aid received in past years for its own needs.

The Trustees of this Fund desire that its existence and object may be recognized as a proper and ready channel through which gifts may at all times be made and received for church-erection purposes; and especially that it may have such recognition as will secure an enlargement of its principal by additional gifts and bequests, so that its income may be annually a helpful resource for the feeble parishes of the Diocese in the erection of church buildings.

JNO. S. BLATCHFORD,
HENRY BURROUGHS, } *Trustees.*
GEO. C. SHATTUCK,

Boston, April 28, 1880.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD presented the Annual Report of the Episcopal Church Association.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH ASSOCIATION.

BOSTON, April 28, 1880.

This Association has continued its usual work during the year. The Rooms at No. 5 Hamilton Place have been kept open and frequented quite as much as, if not more than, in previous years. About two hundred and seventy-one meetings of committees, managers of church institutions, &c., have been held here this year, proving without question the usefulness of the place.

The present officers are:—

Honorary President. — The Right Rev the BISHOP of the Diocese.

President. — HON. E. R. MUDGE.

Vice-Presidents. — JOSEPH STORY FAY, ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN.

Treasurer. — GEORGE DEXTER.

Clerk. — HENRY M. UPHAM.

Directors. — CHARLES H. JOY, JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, WILLIAM C. LOVERING, JOHN H. STURGIN, CHARLES G. SAUNDERS, HENRY S. CHASE.

Last year the Diocesan Convention voted the Association the sum of four hundred dollars for the purpose of maintaining the objects for which it was founded. The directors desire to impress upon *this* Convention the importance of continuing the appropriation. We feel that the work of our Association is diocesan rather than local; and, if these rooms are given up (for want of financial support), the Diocese at large will be the loser.

Respectfully submitted, for the Board of Directors, by

HENRY M. UPHAM, *Clerk.*

The Rev. W. R. HUNTINGTON, D.D., presented the following Resolution:—

RESOLUTION TO BE MADE THE ORDER OF THE DAY IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BALLOTING FOR DEPUTIES.

Resolved, That a committee consisting of three (3) clergymen and three (3) laymen be appointed by the Chair, to be called "The Committee on Nominations to Office." It shall be the duty of this Committee to furnish the Convention next ensuing with two lists of candidates for such offices as are required under the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese to be filled by ballot, said lists to be prepared as follows:—

Two weeks before the time appointed for the meeting of the Convention, the Committee shall cause to be forwarded to the clergy entitled to seats and votes, and to the delegates-elect of the several parishes in union with the Convention, circulars stating what offices are to be filled, and calling for nominations. Each clergyman and each lay delegation thus addressed shall be entitled to nominate *one candidate* for each of the said offices.

From the returns received the Committee shall make out and submit to the Convention, at the opening of the second day of the session, two lists of candidates, the one list containing the names of those persons who have received the largest number of nominations for the respective offices, and the

other list containing the names of those who have received the next largest number. These lists shall be printed on the same paper, but in such manner that the one may be readily detached from the other. The two standard tickets thus provided shall be regarded as suggestive only, and as in no sense binding upon the action of individual electors.

Which, on motion, was ordered to be printed, and made the order of the day for to-morrow, immediately after the balloting for Deputies to the General Convention.

Resolved, That the Convention now adjourn, to meet to-morrow in Trinity Church for morning prayer, at nine o'clock A.M.

Adjourned.

TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON,
THURSDAY, APRIL 28, 9 o'clock A.M.

Morning Prayer to the Creed was read by the Rev. P. VOORHEES FINCH, and from the Creed, by the Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON. The 191st Hymn was announced by the BISHOP, who also gave the Benediction.

TRINITY CHAPEL, 10 o'clock A.M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of yesterday's Session were read and approved.

The Roll was then called by the SECRETARY, and several not present yesterday answered to their names.

The Rev. E. W. SMITH, from the Committee on Qualifications, reported that the Certificate of Lay Delegates from the Church of the Messiah, Boston, is correct.

The SECRETARY called the names of the Delegates, who took their seats.

Dr. SHATTUCK presented the Report of the Trustees of Donations.

THE ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE TRUSTEES OF DONATIONS TO THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

To the Ninetieth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Diocese of Massachusetts, held at Boston April 28, 1880:—

The amount of the Bishop's Fund May 14, 1879, the	
date of the last Report, was	\$89,618.97
Amount added to the Fund since that date	171.26

Present amount of the Fund	\$89,790.23
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The Bishop's salary has been paid in full, in accordance with the vote of the last Convention.

Most respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM P. BLAKE, *Treasurer*.

Boston, April 28, 1880.

Resolved, That the rules of order be suspended to admit of the presentation of a matter to be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY presented an amendment to the Constitution of Trinity Church, Woburn, which was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. W. S. BARTLET presented the Annual Report of the Registrar of the Diocese.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH REGISTRAR.

The few items of receipts necessary for an annual report from the Registrar of the Diocese are respectfully enumerated:—

A bundle of papers from the Standing Committee of this Diocese from May, A.D. 1878, to May, A.D. 1879, through the Rev. Secretary of that Committee; also the Journal of the Eighty-ninth Convention of this Diocese, from the Rev. Secretary thereof; and, from the Secretaries or Registrars of their respective Dioceses, Journals for A.D. 1879 of Central Pennsylvania, Delaware, Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Long Island, Maine, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Pittsburg, Tennessee, Vermont, Western New York, and Wisconsin; for all which, copies of the Journal of this Diocese have been sent in return.

There have also been received from the preacher "The Crosswell Memorial, a Discourse preached at St. James's Church, North Cambridge, by Edward Abbot, A.D. 1879:" and from the undersigned, "John Talbot, the first Bishop in North America . . . by the Rev. Geo. Morgan Hills, D.D."

The number of copies of the Journal of the last Massachusetts Convention (*viz.*, ten) allotted to the Registrar fell far short of what was needed to exchange with other Dioceses for the Journals sent by them, and furnishing not even one for preservation in this department, or for the private collection of the undersigned. It caused some labor to the Registrar to supply these absolute needs. May he not hope that a sufficiently large edition of the Journal of the present year will be printed to supply all reasonable demands?

WM. S. BARTLET, *Church Registrar.*

EDWARD N. PERKINS presented the Annual Report of the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.

REPORT OF THE MARGARET COFFIN PRAYER-BOOK SOCIETY, APRIL 28, 1880.

The Society has completed another year of its quiet but efficient work in the distribution of the Prayer-Book. It has been especially favored by two bequests, — one, of one thousand dollars, from the late Mrs. Susan A. Newell of Boston; the other, of between four thousand and five thousand dollars, from the estate of the late Rev. Dr. William Horton of St. Paul's Church, Newburyport, who died in 1863, leaving (beside other gifts to church and charitable institutions) one-sixteenth of his estate, after the decease of his mother and widow, to the Society. These legacies, when paid, will double the Permanent Fund, which will then amount to eleven thousand dollars. The names and examples

of such benefactors are to be remembered with thanksgiving, and profound gratitude to Almighty God.

The Society has printed an edition of one thousand copies from its stereotype plates. It has distributed gratuitously 750 Prayer-Books, and 185 Mission Services in ten different Dioceses, and has sold at cost 758 Prayer-Books. The receipts have been, from all sources, \$1,028.47.

The expenditures for printing and insurance	\$287.74
Balance carried to new account	740.73
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	\$1,028.47

At the Annual Meeting it was voted: "Hereafter to distribute Hymnals (when desired) with Prayer-Books, to meet a want which hitherto, for lack of funds, could not be satisfied. The Annual Service was held, by the kind invitation of the Rector, in Emmanuel Church, Boston, on the 11th of January, and the sermon was preached by the Rev. C. H. Learoyd of Taunton. The offerings amounted to the large sum of \$171.25. It may not be generally known that the Society grants Prayer-Books, not only to feeble Parishes and Missions, but also to carry on missionary work under the auspices of Parishes which are caring for the stray sheep outside of their fold. Communications asking for gifts of Prayer-Books may be addressed to the Bishop, who is the president of the Society, or to the Clerk, and will receive due consideration.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD N. PERKINS, Clerk.

The Rev. Dr. BURROUGHS presented the Annual Report of the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

REPORT OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

The Annuity Fund of this Society, at the market-value of the investments, amounted last year to the sum of \$51,564.74. The par value was \$49,054.74. It has been increased this year by investments to the amount of \$1,588.19, and is now, at par value, \$50,642.93. The income of this Fund, including payments by members, was \$3,244.26.

The principal of the Annuity Fund cannot be impaired, and it is increased every year by the addition of so much of the income as is not required for the payment of annuities. One contributing member, the Rev. R. C. Rogers, has withdrawn, and has been paid in full, and three have been added, — the Revs. Daniel G. Anderson, J. F. Winkley, and C. A. Rand.

The present par value of the Charity Fund is \$26,900; and the amount of income and of contributions during the year was \$1,838.09, from which ten families of deceased clergymen have been aided. The income of this Fund is not sufficient to meet the pressing demands made upon this Society to afford relief to the families of deceased clergymen who were not contributing members. Will not the Parishes of this Diocese send an offering annually to this excellent charity? By the first section of the first chapter of our By-Laws any layman may become a member of the Society by the payment of not less than five dollars per annum. These payments, and all bequests made to the

Society, are added to the Charity Fund. As one of the residuary legatees, this Society will receive an addition to this Fund from the estate of the late Rev. William Horton, D.D., of Newburyport. The Treasurer's Report is herewith submitted.

For the Society.

HENRY BURROUGHS, *Secretary*.

The Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S.T.D., presented the Annual Report of the Episcopal Clerical Fund.

EPISCOPAL CLERICAL FUND.

The Episcopal Clerical Fund presents the following as its Annual Report for the Conventional year from May 14, 1879, to April 27, 1880:—

The receipts for the year have been as follows:—

From balance from last year	\$713.55
interest and dividends	286.66
bequests and donations	487.06
parochial contributions	1,039.37
Total	\$2,526.64
The disbursements have been	1,861.70

Leaving a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of . \$664.94

A sum not quite sufficient to meet the payment of our semi-annual appropriations.

The bequest of the late W. W. Morland, M.D., has been paid, amounting to \$1,497.06, the last instalment having been received within the current year. The bequest of the late William Horton, D.D., of Newburyport, has not yet been received, but will in all probability be added to the funds of the Society during the present year. The contributions of the Parishes, as heretofore, have been confined to a very small percentage of the whole number. The invested fund of the Society now amounts to \$5,200, to which the expected bequest of the late Dr. Horton will make a very acceptable addition.

The Society has been quietly but steadily carrying out its truly benevolent work for the year past, distributing the scanty means placed at its disposal among a few aged, disabled, and indigent servants of God, who comprise the list of our beneficiaries.

In the latter part of February one of our brethren, who has been for the past seven years in receipt of aid from this Society, departed this life after a brief illness. Up to within a fortnight of his death, he was engaged in the Master's service whenever and wherever his assistance was required. These demands were, however, exceedingly infrequent, and, without the small pittance given by our Society, his income would have been totally inadequate to his support.

There are several clergymen in the Diocese to whose limited income we should be happy to make a small annual appropriation, if the means to do so were in our hands. We can only again make an earnest call upon the Parishes, and upon those individuals whom God has made the stewards of abundant means, to do something to enable our Society to carry out on a more liberal scale its benevolent and necessary work.

JOSEPH H. CLINCH, *Secretary*.

EDWARD N. PERKINS presented the Annual Report of the Boston Episcopal Charitable Society.

"Dare quam Accipere."

REPORT OF THE BOSTON EPISCOPAL CHARITABLE SOCIETY.

FOUNDED A.D. 1734.

The Society gladly avails itself of the permission of the Convention to report its transactions during the past year, as they are of more interest than usual. A prospect of greater usefulness in the future has been opened to it by a promised legacy of a large sum for the establishment of a "Home for Aged Church-Folk who have seen Better Days," on the model of one founded a few years since in New York, under the title of a "Home for Old Men and Aged Couples," now in active and successful operation, of which the Rt. Rev. Dr. Potter is the president. In view of this bequest, the Society made application to the Legislature, at its late session, for leave to hold a larger amount of property than the hundred thousand dollars to which it was limited by the additional act of 1853. The petition has been granted, and the Society is now authorized to hold both real and personal estate to the value of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. As this is the first gift or legacy made to the Society for many years, it deserves special and grateful mention. The Treasurer's Report shows that the Fund now amounts to \$62,800, which is invested in the best securities. The income for the year has been \$3,073.14. The grants to forty-nine beneficiaries amounted to three thousand dollars. The number of beneficiaries has of necessity decreased of late with the decrease of income; and many persons who are entitled to receive aid cannot, therefore, be benefited.

The increase of the Fund by the addition of the annual subscription of members is small. It cannot, at the present rate, attain the desirable amount of at least a hundred thousand dollars, for many years, unless by the gifts or legacies of those who have the disposition of wealth, and know that this Society will faithfully guard, and conscientiously and gratuitously administer, the funds committed to its care.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD N. PERKINS, *Secretary*.

Boston, April 28, 1880.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES presented the Annual Report of the Church Missionary Society.

REPORT OF THE MASSACHUSETTS CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This Society has not been engaged in active work during the past year, as its members, since the adoption of the present Canon, have co-operated with the Diocesan Board in sustaining missions in the Diocese.

They have contributed to the treasury of the Board the interest accruing from their trust-funds. For the administration of trusts committed to them their organization is maintained. The following officers for the ensuing year have been elected:—

Vice-Presidents. — JAMES S. AMORY, MARTIN L. BRADFORD.

Secretary. — Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.

Treasurer. — STEPHEN G. DEBLOIS.

Executive Committee. — The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., Rev. WILLIAM W. NEWTON, Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL, RUSSELL STURGIS, JUN., HENRY S. CHASE.

THOS. F. FALES, *Secretary*.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN presented the Annual Report of the Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH HOME FOR ORPHAN AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN.

The statistics of the Church Home for the past year do not differ materially from those of former years. We have received but sixteen children, as, our number being full, we can take new ones only when vacancies occur. It speaks well both for the healthy location of the Home and for the faithful care which the children receive, that the doctor was called in this winter for the first time for two years, and then the illness was the development of hereditary disease.

We still regret that the limitation of our resources denies us the hoped-for pleasure of adding infant and industrial departments to our Home. They are absolute necessities to give it its full efficiency; but there is no near hope of their attainment.

S. A. C. BOND, *Secretary*.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN presented the Annual Report of the Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

The Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions presents its Third Annual Report, as follows: —

During the year ten meetings of the Society have been held, with an average attendance of twenty-nine Parishes.

The Church-Rooms proving too small to accommodate the large number of ladies who attended these meetings, the Society has, since January, met in St. Paul's Chapel, its use having been allowed by the kindness of the Rev. Mr. Newton.

Ninety-one Parishes are now connected with the Auxiliary; six Parishes having joined the Society during the winter.

Three public meetings have been held during the year, the Bishop in each case presiding; viz., —

The annual meeting, in November, in St. Paul's Church, when a missionary sermon was preached by the Rev. William R. Huntington, D.D.

A meeting in February, also in St. Paul's Church, under the auspices of the Dakota League, addressed by Bp. Hare and the Rev. Phillips Brooks, D.D.

And a meeting in April, in Emmanuel Church, in charge of the Committee of the Foreign Department of the Auxiliary, upon which occasion a sermon

was read upon Foreign Missions by the Rev. Phillips Brooks, D.D., and of the same made by Dr. Bunn, medical missionary of Wuchang, China, upon World Missions.

The Report of the Society, published in October, will furnish details of work accomplished during the year. A summary shows the following results: 227 boxes of clothing, &c., sent to different missionary stations, valued at \$7,750.50, and money contributions, \$5,595.46, making a total amount of \$13,345.96, an increase over previous year of \$2,738.44.

Statistics, however, do not record the principal result sought by the Auxiliary, which is to disseminate missionary knowledge, and rouse missionary sentiment throughout the Diocese, that its Parishes, being banded together in mutual sympathy and charity, "may make increase of the body unto the edifying of the Church of Christ."

Respectfully submitted,

JANE L. UNDERWOOD, *Secretary M. B. W. A.*

NEW YORK, April 26, 1880.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D., from the Committee on Constitution and Canons, made the following Report:—

REPORT.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred the report of the Rev. Dr. Carleton, recommending a change in the Second Section of the Second Article of the Constitution, beg leave to report:—

The proposed change has reference to qualifications for voting membership in the Convention, and, if made, would alter the words, "or who has, during the last five years, performed some one or more of the duties above specified," to make them read, "or who has, from the date of his ordination, attained the age of sixty years, performed some one or more of the duties above specified."

It is of the opinion that the proposed change would, in some degree, obviate a grievance, *make* possible two others. It would, for example, give to an elderly clergyman who had entered our ministry from that of the age say of fifty-five, a privilege, after only five years, which would be denied to a man who had taken holy orders early in life, say at the age of thirty years. The mover of the proposed change would not contemplate this contingency; but it would be a necessary consequence of the amendment of the existing clause.

The Committee gravely doubt the existence of any real grievance, as the clause stands. Any clergyman of the age of sixty, who, from ill health or the infirmities of age, retain his seat, and neglect his clerical duties. If he cannot truthfully allege that he is unable to perform his duties, and that he desires retirement, it is a question whether his claim to a vote ought to be a valid one. Your Committee recommends the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the proposed change in the language of Section Second of the Second Article of the Constitution is inexpedient, and that the Committee be discharged from consideration of the matter.

For the Committee,

WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON.

The Report was accepted, and, after considerable discussion, the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

Resolved, That, in the election of **TREASURER**, balloting be dispensed with.

The Rev. **CHARLES H. LEAROYD**, being nominated, was unanimously re-elected.

Resolved, That balloting be dispensed with in the election of a **REGISTRAR**.

Resolved, That the Rev. **WILLIAM S. BARTLET** be declared re-elected.

The hour having arrived for election of Deputies to the General Convention, the **CHAIR** appointed the Rev. **THOMAS F. FALES**, the Rev. **WILLIAM G. WELLS**, and the Rev. **DANIEL G. ANDERSON**, tellers to receive and count the vote of the Clergy; and Gen. **A. B. UNDERWOOD**, **DANIEL P. CROCKER**, and **L. H. WHITNEY**, tellers to receive and count the Lay vote.

The **SECRETARY** called the roll of the Clergy, and the **ASSISTANT SECRETARY**, the roll of the Parishes.

The resolution offered yesterday by the Rev. **WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON**, D.D., was then called up for discussion.

On motion of **ROBERT TREAT PAINE**, Jun., —

Resolved, That the resolution now before the Convention be referred to a committee of five to report to the next Convention.

The Rt. Rev. **THOMAS M. CLARK**, D.D., Bishop of Rhode Island, appeared in the Convention, and was conducted to a seat at the right of the Chair, and briefly addressed the Convention, who rose to receive him.

The Rev. **THOMAS F. FALES**, from the Tellers of the Clerical Vote for Deputies to the General Convention, reported that the Clergy had elected : —

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE .	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK , M.D.
“ “ THOMAS R. LAMBERT , D.D.	ENOCH R. MUDGE .
“ “ WM. R. HUNTINGTON , D.D.	ROBERT C. WINTHROP .
“ “ PHILLIPS BROOKS , D.D.	

ADIN B. UNDERWOOD, from the Tellers to collect and count the Lay Vote for Deputies to the General Convention, reported that the Laity had elected : —

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE .	ENOCH R. MUDGE .
“ “ THOMAS R. LAMBERT , D.D.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK , M.D.
“ “ WM. R. HUNTINGTON , D.D.	ROBERT C. WINTHROP .
“ “ PHILLIPS BROOKS , D.D.	EDMUND H. BENNETT .

The following, therefore, are elected by a concurrence of both orders : —

<i>Clerical.</i>	<i>Lay.</i>
The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" " THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	ENOCH R. MUDGE.
" " WM. R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.	ROBERT C. WINTHROP.
" " PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.	

And there is a vacancy of one Lay Deputy.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, —

Resolved, That, in the election of the remaining Lay Delegate, balloting be dispensed with.

On motion of IRA CLEVELAND, —

Resolved, That the Hon. EDMUND H. BENNETT be declared elected.

The House then proceeded to elect Substitute Deputies to the General Convention.

The CHAIR appointed the same tellers as before.

The SECRETARY called the roll of the Clergy, and the ASSISTANT SECRETARY, the roll of the Parishes.

On motion of CAUSTEN BROWNE, —

Resolved, That the Committee on the resolution of Dr. HUNTINGTON, as to the appointment of a Committee of Nomination, be instructed to consider and report a plan for minority representation.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, —

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing be instructed to print, as soon as possible, the Bishop's charge, with full power as to the number of copies and their distribution.

JOSEPH W. WOODS presented the Report of the Trustees of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE CHAPEL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, BOSTON.

While Rector of Emmanuel Church, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Huntington procured subscriptions from members of his parish for the erection of a chapel for mission work, and for the purchase of land for a tenement-house.

The chapel was completed and occupied before his removal from the diocese, and has become the parish of the " Church of the Good Shepherd."

The tenement-house was also built by members of Emmanuel Parish in 1873, during the incumbency of the Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D., the cost being raised by subscription and by a loan. It was named, in honor of its founder, " The Huntington House."

The title of this house, together with that of the " Chapel of the Good Shepherd," is vested in a Board of Trustees, who are incorporated, and can hold property, consisting of chapels and tenement-houses, to the amount of \$200,000.

The present condition of the property is as follows: the chapel, costing, with land, \$37,591.11, was paid for at completion, and is now free from debt.

The "Huntington House," costing, with land, \$50,032.63, was mortgaged for \$28,000. The income from rents has enabled the Trustees to devote annually a considerable amount to the work of the chapel, and, with generous donations, to reduce the debt on the house to \$19,500.

When this debt is fully paid, the net income will probably be \$2,000 a year, which, by act of incorporation, must be devoted to religious and charitable uses.

As this Board has heretofore made no report to the Convention, this statement is respectfully submitted, that the Church may know of the work, and that those interested may be led to contribute to its final success.

For the Trustees.

JOSEPH W. WOODS, *Clerk*.

Appended is a list of the Trustees.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, CHAPEL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

President. — E. R. MUDGE. *Treasurer*. — J. D. W. FRENCH. *Clerk*. — J. W. WOODS. J. G. ABBOTT, C. H. JOY, C. P. GARDINER, E. P. DENNY, G. H. PETERS, J. S. FAY, R. T. PAINE, Jun., H. STOCKTON, E. MERWIN, R. H. RICHARDS.

The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, from the Executive Committee, presented the following Report: —

The Executive Committee recommend that the next Annual Convention be held on the fifth Wednesday after Easter, 1881; the opening services in Trinity Church, Boston, and the business sessions in the chapel of Trinity Church.

The Committee would nominate as the Preacher the Rev. Reginald Heber Howe, and as substitute the Rev. Leander C. Manchester.

For the Committee.

J. STURGIS PEARCE.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN presented the following Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business: —

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

There is no unfinished business left over from preceding Conventions.

WM. LLOYD HIMES.

EDWARD F. ADAMS.

FRANK W. REYNOLDS, from the Finance Committee, presented the following Report: —

The Committee on Finance beg to report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer for the past year, and find them correct, and properly vouched for. They further recommend that the assessment for the coming year be laid at one and one-half per cent of the Rector's salary of the respective parishes.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee.

FRANK W. REYNOLDS.

On motion of J. D. W. FRENCH, —

Resolved, That a report be received from the Wells Memorial Association.

ROBERT T. PAINE, Jun., read the Report of the Wells Memorial, of which the following is a condensed statement: —

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WELLS MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.

Rev. E. M. P. Wells, D.D., died in Boston Dec. 1, 1878, having served full thirty years as the Missionary of the **EPISCOPAL CITY MISSION**, to which office and work he was elected in 1843. The benefits conferred upon the poor and suffering by his self-denying, faithful labors during these many years, can never be recorded.

On Dec. 19, 1878, a public meeting was held in Trinity Chapel, Boston, to consider what steps might be taken to secure some permanent memorial of his useful life and remarkable character; and a committee was appointed to accomplish this object. The Committee, — consisting of Rev. Messrs. Converse, Fales, Wright, Prescott, and Howe, and Messrs. Mudge, Sturgis, Paine, Perkins, and Blatchford, — after long and careful consideration of the subject, decided to recommend to the Episcopal City Mission to make the present Mission House, No. 6 Tyler Street, a permanent memorial to Dr. Wells, by giving it the endeared name of "**ST. STEPHEN'S HOUSE**," and inscribing it as a memorial to Dr. Wells; and to establish and endow a **WORKINGMEN'S INSTITUTE**, to be administered by its own board of trustees.

A board of trustees was accordingly formed; and, in order to secure for its work greater efficiency and permanence, a Corporation was organized, under the title of the "**WELLS MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION**," . . . "to found a Christian Charity in memory of the late Rev. E. M. P. Wells, D.D., and thereby to promote the welfare of workingmen by furnishing reading-rooms, libraries, instruction, and whatever else may contribute to their physical or moral well-being." The affairs of the Association are administered by a board of managers consisting of not less than six nor more than twenty-four members, including a president, two vice-presidents, a treasurer, an auditor, and a clerk, elected annually.

The Board of Managers proceeded April 26, 1879, to the establishment of a **WORKINGMEN'S CLUB AND INSTITUTE**, securing for the purpose spacious, cheerful, and well-equipped rooms at 1125 Washington Street. The rooms were occupied June 18, 1879, and were more formally opened, and the objects of the Club publicly announced, on the evening of Oct. 3, 1879. The object of the Club is to promote the best welfare of the working-classes, and to exert such healthful influences over their lives as may grow out of the friendly relations which the **WELLS MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION** aim to establish between them and the churchmen of Boston. Its management is in the hands of a joint committee of workingmen and members of the Association. An annual assessment of one dollar is paid for membership in the Club. Its income from this source is as yet small; and its expenses, amounting thus far to about \$2,247.07, have been met by the trustees alone, aided by the annual fees of members of the Association, and a few other individual gifts.

The following is a brief summary of the work of the Club from June, 1879, to April 30, 1880.

Seven hundred and seventy-five men have registered their names on the books of the Club, and have availed themselves of its benefits. The present membership is three hundred and sixty-one, with an average daily attendance at the Rooms of about forty. A series of fourteen entertainments have been given, under the direction of the Committee on Entertainments, consisting of vocal and instrumental music, readings, lectures, &c. A debating-club has been formed, and some subject debated each Monday evening since Jan. 23, 1880. Regular instruction has been given to a class in music, and a Choral Union has been formed, composed of members of the Club. Under the direction of the Committee on Instruction, classes have been formed in penmanship and book-keeping, under a competent instructor. A Building and Savings-Fund Association has been organized, and is now in operation. The reading-room is supplied with a varied and carefully selected list of papers and periodicals. The library contains about fifty well-chosen books, to which are added as many more kindly loaned by the Boston Public Library.

OFFICERS OF THE WELLS MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION FOR 1879-80.

President. — ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN.

Vice-Presidents. — E. R. MUDGE, C. W. DEXTER.

Treasurer. — E. R. MUDGE.

Auditor. — C. H. JOY.

Clerk. — J. S. BLATCHFORD.

On motion of the Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D., —

Resolved, That the Committee on Divorce appointed yesterday be increased to six, and that the Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D., be made the chairman.

On motion of the Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, —

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Standing Committee be instructed to print, at the expense of Convention, that portion of the Report of said Committee having reference to the preparation of Canonical Testimonials, and to transmit a copy to every Clergyman in the Diocese, and to every Candidate for Holy Orders.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, —

Resolved, That the forms of application of persons seeking entrance to the Sacred Ministry be printed as one of the Appendices of the Journal of Convention.

On motion of ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN., —

Resolved, That, when this House take a recess, it be to meet again this P.M. at half-past three o'clock.

The Rev. A. C. A. HALL moved that the election of a Standing Committee be made the Order of the day at half-past three o'clock this P.M.

On motion of F. W. REYNOLDS, —

Resolved, That the hour of four o'clock this P.M. be the hour for election of Standing Committee.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, from the Tellers to collect and count the Clerical Votes for Substitute Deputies to the General Convention, reported that the Clergy had made choice of the following persons:—

The Rev. SAMUEL P. PARKER, D.D.
 “ “ HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D.
 “ “ THOMAS F. FALES.

FRANCIS J. PARKER.
 ALEXANDER H. RICE.
 JOHN B. STEBBINS.
 JOSEPH S. FAY.

Gen. UNDERWOOD, from the Tellers of the Lay Vote, reported that the Laity had elected the following persons:—

The Rev. SAMUEL P. PARKER, D.D.
 “ “ THOMAS F. FALES.
 “ “ HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D.
 “ “ HENRY F. ALLEN.

FRANCIS J. PARKER.
 JOSEPH S. FAY.
 ALEXANDER H. RICE.
 JOHN B. STEBBINS.

Leaving one Clerical Deputy to be elected.

On motion of the Rev. WILLIAM W. NEWTON,—

Resolved, That voting by ballot and by orders be dispensed with in the election of one Clerical Substitute in the Deputies to the General Convention.

Resolved, That the Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN be declared elected to fill the vacancy.

The Rev. Dr. CARLETON announced that JOSEPH S. FAY would not be able to accept any office.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,—

Resolved, That voting by ballot and by orders be dispensed with in the election of a Lay Deputy, in the place of JOSEPH S. FAY, to fill up the list of Substitutes.

On motion of the same,—

Resolved, That JOHN S. BLATCHFORD be declared elected to fill the vacancy.

Judge COXANT moved that the Substitute Delegates to the General Convention be arranged according to seniority of election, and, if any two were first elected in the same year, that they should be called on to serve in alphabetical order.

The motion was lost.

On motion of ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN.,—

Resolved, That the names of persons elected as Deputies to the General Convention and Standing Committee be printed in the Journal, according to the number of ballots received, adding together those of the Clerical and Lay votes.

Resolved, That the Convention now take a recess until half-past three o'clock this P.M.

Adjourned.

CHAPEL OF TRINITY CHURCH, 3½ o'clock P.M.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES A. RAND, —

Resolved, That the Committee to which was referred the resolution relating to nominations for Deputies to General Convention, &c., be instructed to consider the propriety of adopting the following plan: —

On the opening day of the session of the Diocesan Convention, nominations shall be made, and all such nominations, if seconded, shall be printed on lists, for use in voting the following day.

On motion of the Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN, —

Resolved, That the rules be suspended, to enable the House to proceed to the election of members of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

The CHAIR appointed the following Committee to nominate members to fill vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions: —

The Rev. CHARLES A. RAND.

EDWIN F. WATERS.

" " ANDREW GRAY.

HENRY W. NELSON.

" " REGINALD H. HOWE.

On motion of Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON, —

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Rector and Wardens of Trinity Church, and to the Committee on Hospitality, whose kindness contributed so amply to the comfort and convenience of the members of this body.

The resolution was passed by a rising vote.

The Rev. CHARLES A. RAND, from the Nominating Committee, reported the following names to fill the vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions: —

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.

" " EDWARD M. GUSHEE.

DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D.

On motion of the Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON, —

Resolved, That the rules be suspended, to enable the Convention to proceed at once to the election of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary and the Committee on Hospitality.

On motion of the Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D., —

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to nominate persons to fill vacancies in the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

The CHAIR appointed as that Committee, —

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D.

DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D.

" " EDWARD L. DROWN.

WILLIAM T. GRINNELL.

" " ALFRED E. JOHNSON.

TRINITY PARISH, WOBURN,
MASS.

... having arrived for the election of a Standing ...
... proposed the following persons as tellers :

	<i>For the Lay Vote.</i>
... D. W. FRENCH.	
... HENRY B. MACKINTOSH.	
... ALEXANDER R. ESTY.	

... called the roll of the Clergy, and the A ...
... of the Parishes.

... D. D., from the Comm ...
... made the following Report : —

... Constitution and Canons, to whom was ref ...
... of Trinity Parish, Woburn, ad ...
... on the twenty-third day of April, 1880,

... —
... changes in the Constitution of said Parish, as :
... certified paper, are as follows: 1. The ...
... after "United States," in Art. 2, line :
... in eleventh line, Art. 3, and adding a ...
... who shall disclaim or refuse conform ...
... Episcopal Church aforesaid shall be ad ...
... that no member shall forfeit his right t ...
... from town, sickness, or inability to att ...
... in Art. 4, between the second and third i ...
... that man of all meetings when present, i ...
... solutions and parts of constitutions in

Resolved, That the amendments to the Constitution of the Parish of Trinity Church, Woburn, as hereinbefore stated, be approved by the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

For the Committee.

MALCOLM DOUGLASS.

At a meeting of the Wardens and Vestrymen of Trinity Church, Woburn, April 18, 1880, called by the Rector to consider and act with reference to certain amendments to the Constitution suggested by the Bishop, it was resolved to make certain changes, and recommend them to a Parish meeting to be held April 23, 1880, at which Parish meeting the following amendments were unanimously adopted: —

Art. 2. Third line, after the word *States* insert *of America*.

Art. 3. After the word *member*, in the eleventh line, add "provided that no member who shall disclaim or refuse conformity to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid shall be admitted to vote, and provided, further, that no member shall forfeit his right to vote on account of prolonged absence from town, sickness, or inability to attend from providential cause."

Art. 4. Between the second and third line, insert, "and shall be chairman of all meetings, when present, if he shall so elect."

All other constitutions and parts of constitutions inconsistent with the provisions of this Constitution are hereby repealed.

Resolved, That our Delegates to Convention, James Folsom, James Graham, and Henry W. Winkley, be instructed to bring this matter to the attention of the proper officers, respectfully asking the approval of the Convention.

HENRY WILLIAM WINKLEY, *Clerk*.

The Report was accepted, and the Resolution appended was adopted.

On motion of DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D., —

Resolved, That the Committee on Christian Education be continued, and the persons now forming the Committee be the same for the coming year.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, —

Resolved, That Rule 6 of the Order of Business be changed to read as follows: "A Committee on the Admission of new Parishes, to consist of three Clergymen and three Laymen; a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to consist of five members."

The CHAIR appointed the following as the Committee on the Resolution of the Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D., "On nominations to office: " —

THE REV. WM. R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.

CAUSTEN BROWNE.

" " CHARLES AREY, D.D.

ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN.

" " HENRY F. ALLEN.

REPORT OF THE CONVENTION

Resolved, That the Committee on Hospitality for the

GEORGE DEXTER,

EDWARD N. PERKINS.

Resolved, That GEORGE W. SHINN, —

Resolved, That the copies of the Journal be printed under the
own Printing.

Resolved, That the following: —

Resolved, That a Committee of five, including the Treasurer of the Board
be appointed, to devise means and carry them out in the endeavor
to secure contributions to the missionary work of the Diocese for
the year 1887, to be at least one dollar per communicant.

Resolved, That the following was lost.

Resolved, That the Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL, —

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be given to the Rev. Mr.
DURELL, for the services rendered most valuable and acceptable assist-
ance in the religious services of this body.

Resolved, That the Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D., —

Resolved, That the members of this Convention acknowledge gratefully the
services of the members of the Parish Choir Festival, and
the interest in their music.

Resolved, That the following be appointed from the Tellers to collect and
report to the Clergy, for a Standing Committee, re-
solved, That the following be elected: —

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Standing Committee, reported that the Lady had
the following persons: —

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Resolved, That the following be elected and by orders be dispensed with on all
Standing Committee.

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Standing Committee.

Resolved, That after the reading of the Minutes, and action thereon, and the usual devotional services, the Convention adjourn.

The Minutes were read, amended, and approved.

The Convention then united in singing "Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow," and, after prayer and benediction by the BISHOP, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

Attest :

BENJ. H. PADDOCK,

Bishop of Massachusetts.

JOSEPH H. CLINCH,

Secretary.

GEORGE W. SHINN,

Assistant Secretary.

APPENDIX A.

EXTRACT

FROM THE

Canon of the General Convention of 1853.

Of the mode of securing an accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time.

SECTION 1.—As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every minister of this Church, or, if the Parish be vacant, the wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his Parish or Church; also the state and condition of the Sunday schools in his Parish; also of the amount of the communion alms, the contributions for missions (diocesan, domestic, and foreign), for parochial schools, for Church purposes in general, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every other clergyman not regularly settled in any Parish or Church shall also report the occasional services he may have performed, and, if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in the Convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

I.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, AMESBURY.

The Rev. SAMUEL M. EMERY, D.D., *Officiating Clergyman.*

GEORGE H. BLISS and JOSEPH PITCHFORTH, *Church-Wardens.*

Communicants: Received, 5; present number, 60. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 39. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Parsonage Fund, \$3,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$212.99.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.00.

Total of contributions, \$217.99.

GRACE CHURCH, AMHERST.

The Rev. FREDERICK BURGESS, *Rector*.

HORACE WARD, Esq., and O. G. COUCH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Present number, 80. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 50. Church: Value, \$35,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$43.39. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$309.46; subscriptions, \$1,177; investments, \$23.75; other sources, \$193.50; total, \$1,793.71. Increase and improvement of church property, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,887.10.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$0.40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25. Domestic: Missions in general, \$9.75; Indian missions, \$13.10; colored missions, \$10.80. Foreign missions, \$5.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$63.80.

Total of contributions, \$1,900.30.

CHRIST CHURCH, ANDOVER.

The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D., *Rector*.

HENRY G. TYER and WILLIAM WHITMAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 1; total, 5. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Received, 8; died, 4; removed, 12; total lost, 16; present number, 103. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 69. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$3,375. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,375.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, including \$28.92 for new vestments, \$75.91. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$359.62; pew-rents, \$59.50; subscriptions, \$849; investments, \$486; total, \$1,754.12. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$187.24. Sunday-school, Christmas, and Easter festivals, including \$46.80 not reported last year, \$109.55. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,920.82.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$81.92. Convention Fund, \$15. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$18.85. Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$3. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$4. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$4. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$5. For other objects without the parish; viz., P. E. Bible and Prayer-Book Society, \$3; mission for deaf-mutes in Boston, \$12; yellow-fever sufferers at Memphis, \$22.60; Sunday-school collection for Young Christian Soldier, \$7.80; total, \$45.40. Total for objects without the parish, \$177.17.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$36.72. Domestic missions in general, \$10.54; mission to colored people, \$21.33; Indian missions, cash, \$15, box of clothing, books, &c., \$45; mission to Jews, \$2; Sunday school to Indian mission, \$5; Sunday school to Salt-Lake City mission, \$5; Sunday school to Dry-Grove mission, \$5; total, \$108.87. Foreign missions in general, \$20; African mission, \$10; Sunday school to Orphan Asylum, Cape Palmas, \$5; scholarships in the Bishop's College, China, \$2; Sunday school to the Bishop's College, China, \$5; L. M. Fay Memorial, \$1; Chinese Testaments, \$2; Mexican church, \$32.29; Mexican church-printing, \$25; bundle for Haytien mission, \$22.00; medical education and outfit of colored clergyman destined for Hayti, \$34.50; Sunday school to general missions (Lent), \$9; total, \$167.88. Total for missionary contributions, \$313.47.

Total of contributions \$2,417.46.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ARLINGTON.

The Rev. DAVID G. HASKINS, S.T.D., *Rector*.

ALBERT GRIFFITHS and WILLIAM WILSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Communicants, 53. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, about \$1,200. Other parochial objects, about \$250. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,450.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic missions, \$40. Total for missionary contributions, \$50.

Total of contributions, \$1,500.

REMARKS.

The church is held by special trustees for the parish. The mortgage debt has been reduced to \$920, of which \$300 has been pledged when the remaining \$630 shall be raised.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ASHFIELD.

The Rev. LEWIS GREEN, *Rector*.

MOSES COOK and ADDISON G. HALL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infant, 1. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; present number, 31. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 18. Church: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$11.26. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$75.76; donations, \$20; total, \$95.76. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$25. Care of church, sexton, &c., \$10. Fuel for church, \$6. Tax on rectory, \$8. Total for objects within the parish, \$156.02.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$12.50; Sunday-school missionary box for St. Philip's, Easthampton, \$5; total, \$17.50. Domestic: Box for Indians (Dakota League), \$15. Foreign missions, \$2.60; China, Bishop Schereschewsky's College, \$3. Total for missionary contributions, \$38.10.

Total of contributions, \$194.12.

REMARKS.

Of the ten burials, all but two were of persons not connected with the parish. The contributions of the year have been unusually small. The pressure of the times has been hardest here within the past year. We have some reason to hope for somewhat better things. The rector has cause for thankfulness that his wants are remembered; and he is grateful to God and to His children on earth.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BEVERLY.

The Rev. JOHN CORNWELL WELWOOD, *Rector*.

JOHN D. LOVETT and AUSTIN D. KILHAM, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 6; total, 11. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Added, 11; died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2; present number, 58. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 59.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$361; subscriptions, \$450; donations, \$186; other sources, \$200; total, \$1,697. Sunday school, \$40. Parochial missions, \$78. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,815.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$28. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$38.

Total of contributions, \$1,853.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, BOSTON.

The Rev. CHARLES C. GRAFTON, *Rector*.

The Revs. ARTHUR C. A. HALL, EDWARD W. OSBORNE, and JOSEPH W. HILL, *Assistants*.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., and EDWARD N. PERKINS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 113; adults, 28; total, 141. Confirmed, 69. Communicants: Admitted, 106; received, 26; total added, 132; died, 11; removed, 31; total lost, 42; present number, 714. Marriages, 29. Funerals, 45. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 30; scholars, 285. Choir school: Teachers, 3; scholars, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$10,522.02; investments, \$1,120.25; total, \$11,642.27. Increase and improvement of church property, \$12,059.54. St. Margaret's Home, \$1,098.95. Alms and poor of the parish, \$1,191.66. Total for objects within the parish, \$25,992.42.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$120; Convention Fund, \$30; Christian or theological education, \$800; for various other objects without the parish, \$332. Total for objects without the parish, \$1,244.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$108.99. Domestic missions, \$160.92. Total for missionary contributions, \$269.91.

Total of contributions, \$27,506.83.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT, *Rector*.HENRY M. SNELL and HENRY W. EMMONS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adult, 1; total, 7. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Added, 27; died, 2; removed, 12; total lost, 14; present number, 99. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 65. Church: Value, \$4,800; sittings, 175.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$45.01. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,042.80; subscriptions, \$102.40; other sources, \$196.56; total, \$1,341.76. Sunday school, \$45. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,431.77.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — For the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen, \$5.87. Christian or theological education, \$5.21. Erection of churches and chapels, \$4.51. For other objects without the parish, \$9.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$25.09.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$21.75. Domestic and foreign missions in general, \$5.37. Total for missionary contributions, \$27.12.

Total of contributions, \$1,483.98.

CHRIST CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY BUBBOUGHS, D.D., *Rector*.JOHN FOX and THOMAS MAIR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adult, 1; total, 16. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 4; total added, 16; died, 1; removed, 15; total lost, 16; present number, 160. Marriages, 11. Funerals, 14. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 162. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 700. Value of houses belonging to the parish, \$18,200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$48,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$273.08; pew-rents, \$326.25; rents of houses, \$1,150; total, \$1,749.33. Sunday school, \$207.53. Collected by the Literary Association and Guild, \$234.94; by the Parochial Society, \$22. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,213.80.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$5. Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$5. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$3. Sufferers at Memphis, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$43.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$5; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50; total, \$55. Domestic missions in general, \$25; for materials for articles made by the ladies of the parish for Indian missions, \$25; total, \$50. Foreign missions in general, \$10; for the Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, \$6; total, \$16. Total for missionary contributions, \$121.

Total of contributions, \$2,377.80.

REMARKS.

This parish has received \$108.56, being one-half the amount of the collections in Trinity Church at the Price Lectures; which sum, together with \$70, the annual income of the Burroughs Fund, has been distributed among the poor of the church.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS, *Rector*.

The Rev. GEORGE H. BUCK, *Assistant*.

BENJAMIN S. ROTCH and JOHN HOGG, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 2; total, 14. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 25; received, 2; total added, 27; died, 4; removed, 8; total lost, 12; present number, 266. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 90.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$921.08. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$18,111.47. Sunday school, \$141.38. Increase and improvement of church property, \$1,000. Dorcas Society, \$1,119.80. Y. W. Guild, \$14.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$16,308.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$280. Convention Fund, \$50. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$225. Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$171.25. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$1,092. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston (by Sunday school, \$55.34; by church, \$75), \$130.34. Christian or theological education, \$710. American Bible Society, \$336. Free Hospital for Women, \$150. Girls' Friendly Society, \$20. Memphis, \$150. Young Women's Christian Association, \$46. Total for objects without the parish, \$3,360.59.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$625; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,279; church at Ipswich, \$277; church at Lincoln, \$50; church at Wood's Holl, \$150; St. John's (Boston), \$200; Good Shepherd, \$100; St. Anne's (Dorchester), \$100; Young Men's Christian Association, \$100; total, \$2,881. Domestic missions in general, \$110; "Monnie" Church, Maryland, \$55; Indian, \$677; missionary, Mississippi, \$105.18; missionary, Texas, \$20.50; total, \$967.68. Foreign missions in general, \$490; Bishop Penick, \$25; St. John's College, Shanghai, \$1,300; Bishop Holly, \$100.39; Mexico, \$131.32; total, \$2,046.71. Total for missionary contributions, \$5,895.39.

Total of contributions, \$25,564.22.

REMARKS.

The Rev. George H. Buck, the assistant minister, has done good work during the past winter at the church known as St. Mary's for Sailors.

THE FREE CHAPEL OF THE EVANGELISTS.

The Rev. B. B. KILLIKELLY, *Minister-in-Charge*.

Baptisms: Infants, 48; adults, 3; total, 51. Confirmed, 23. Communicants: Admitted, 21; received, 28; total added, 49; died, 13; removed, 28; total lost, 41; present number, 221. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 29. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 31; pupils, 280; total, 311. Sewing school:

Officers and teachers, 22; pupils, 150. Girls' Industrial School: Officers and teachers, 6; members, 50. Value of chapel, about \$13,000; sittings, about 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Current expenses, including minister's salary, about \$3,000; communion alms, \$114.76; offertory, \$128.21; improvements, \$143; other objects, \$31.73.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan mission, \$14.24; Japan mission \$24.35; extra donations, \$650.

Total of contributions, \$4,106.20.

REMARKS.

This Free Chapel is under the charge of Trinity Church, Boston.

GRACE CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. ALEXANDER MACKAY-SMITH, *Missionary*.

Mr. PAUL STERLING, *Reader*.

Baptisms: Infants, 33; adults, 7; total, 40. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Present number, about 100. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 180. Church: Value, \$18,000; sittings, 350. Chapel: Sittings, 125. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$18,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$120. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$555.64. Cushions for church and chapel, \$200. Sunday-school collections, \$42. Proceeds of a fair, \$220. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,137.64.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, by the Sunday school, \$18. Domestic missions, \$18. Foreign missions, \$18. Total for missionary contributions, \$54.

Total of contributions, \$1,191.64.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE J. PRESCOTT, *Rector*.

J. D. WILLIAMS FRENCH and ROBERT H. RICHARDS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 30; adults, 7; total, 37. Confirmed, 14. Communicants, 250. Marriages, 11. Funerals, 22. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 32; scholars, 221. Sewing school: Teachers, 10; scholars, 94.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$220.48. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,474.28; subscriptions, \$205; other sources, \$5; total, \$2,774.28. Sunday school, \$83. Sewing school and summer sewing, \$73. Parish fund, \$20.46. Alms chest, \$63.72. Miscellaneous objects, \$152.52. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,387.46.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund (six months' interest on parish note), \$29.75. Convention Fund, \$17.50. Christian or theological education, \$32. Memorial at Hyde Park to Rev. Dr. Washburn, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$89.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$40. Domestic missions in general, \$17.20; missions to Freedmen, \$18.70; missions to Indians, \$9.20; missions to Jews, \$36.07; total, \$81.17. Foreign missions in general, \$7.20; missions in Cuba, \$8.25; missions in Mexico, \$6.20; Lydia Fay Memorial Fund, \$5; total, \$28.65. Total for missionary contributions, \$147.82.

Total of contributions, \$3,024.53.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, *Rector*.

CAUSTEN BROWNE and SAMUEL RICE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 23; adults, 6; total, 29. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 17; total added, 28; died, 3; removed, 11; total lost, 14; present number, about 285. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 90. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 650. Chapel: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$37,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$5,631.23. Sunday school, \$132.54. Parish library, \$393.37. Parochial missions, \$69.25. Increase and improvement of church property, \$538.85. Flowers, \$49. Parish note, \$585. For organ, including pledges, \$2,138.78. Christmas festival, \$159.75. Easter festival, \$150.79. Total for objects within the parish, \$9,798.56.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$11.85. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$52.38. Society for Increase of Ministry, \$9.43. Total for objects without the parish, \$73.66.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.45. Domestic missions: Dakota League, \$24. Foreign missions, \$6. Total for missionary contributions, \$45.45.

Total of contributions, \$9,917.07.

REMARKS.

A box of clothing valued at fifty dollars has also been sent to a mission in Wisconsin, and about twenty-four dollars in clothing for Mrs. Cooke's school, Yankton. A parish guild has rendered service in many ways during the year; and a sewing school for children has been held during the winter. Daily morning and evening prayer, and the weekly celebration of the Holy Communion on Sundays and holy days, are features of our parish life.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH (HIGHLANDS), BOSTON.

The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, *Rector*.

The Rev. J. R. PEIRCE, *Minister-in-Charge of St. Anne's Chapel*.

W. RAYMOND LEE and ATHERTON T. BROWN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 7; total, 17. Confirmed, 28. Communicants: Present number, 275. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 220.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$463.47. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$5,416.49. Sunday school, for various objects, \$337.95. St. James's Guild, \$200. Christmas decorations, \$63.53. Easter collection, \$549.29. Employment and Benevolent Society, \$372. Christmas collection for special objects, \$49.27. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,452.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$110.97. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$20.97. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, —collection and Aid Society, \$191.43. Total for objects without the parish, \$323.37.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30.78; missions and missionary, by Helping Hand Society, \$100; for mission of St. James's Church, \$152; total, \$282.78. Domestic missions: Indian missions, —collection, \$45.09; scholarships, \$120; by Helping Hand Society, \$158.87, —\$323.98; Freedmen, by "Helping Hand," \$6; missionary in North Carolina, by Aid Society, \$125; total, \$454.96. Foreign missions in general, \$72.92; scholarship in China, \$60; total, \$132.92. Total for missionary contributions, \$870.66.

Total of contributions, \$8,646.03.

REMARKS.

The statistics of St. Anne's Chapel, formerly incorporated in those reported from St. James's Church, are this year reported separately; which fact explains the difference in some of the items of St. James's statistics as compared with the report of last year.

Since November, 1879, the Rev J. R. Peirce has had the immediate care of the pastoral work at St. Anne's Chapel, under the auspices of the rector of St. James's. The marked increase in all the departments of work at the Chapel, and the enlarged congregation there, bear witness to the devoted labors of the minister-in-charge.

The statistics of St. Anne's Chapel are given below.

ST. ANNE'S CHAPEL (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. JOSHUA R. PEIRCE, *Minister-in-Charge*.

Number of families regularly connected with chapel, 60, beside many single persons. Baptisms: Infants, 16; adults, 3; to which are to be added any baptisms prior to Nov. 9, 1879. Confirmed, 13. Communicants, about 60. Marriage, 1. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Teachers, 13; scholars, 108.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Through the weekly offertory: for current expenses, &c., \$479.16. Diocesan missions, \$6.50. Special offering at Easter, for organ, \$68.06. Church carpet, \$83.72. Christmas greens, \$9.63. Easter flowers, \$31.50. Sunday school, \$52.90. Total for objects within the parish, \$731.47.

REMARKS.

In addition to the above, the ladies of St. Anne's have realized from a sale, \$260; a member of Emmanuel Church, Boston, has contributed \$100 towards purchase of an organ; and a handsome Bible and prayer-book have been presented to the chapel by a member of the congregation.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (HIGHLANDS), BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, *Rector*.The Rev. WILLIAM BAMFORD BURROWS, *Assistant*.DAVID CONNERY and JOHN FORSYTH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 41; adult, 1; total, 42. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Present number, 280. Marriages, 4; Funerals, 20. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 23; scholars, 253.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms chest and Communion alms, \$39.36. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$3,164.32. Sunday-school offerings in addition to amount of Indian scholarship, \$35.02. Repairs of church property, \$53.74. For the mortgage debt, \$1,275.73. For the Employment Society, \$48.56. For Christmas festival and Easter flowers, \$37.60. Special offerings, \$6. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,684.33.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$67.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$74.34. Domestic missions: For Bishop Hare, \$2; for support of scholarship by Sunday school in Niobrara, — Indian mission, — \$60; for general domestic missions, \$2; total, \$64. Foreign missions: For support of bed in the hospital, in China, \$30. Total for missionary contributions, \$168.34.

Total of contributions, \$4,920.17.

REMARKS.

Thirty-two women have received work from the Employment Society during the winter. The mortgage debt upon the land on which St. John's Church is built, amounting to \$5,819.17, has been paid; and the rector desires to acknowledge with deep gratitude the kindness of those friends outside the parish, through whose liberality this important work has been accomplished.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (CHARLESTOWN DISTRICT), BOSTON.

The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D., *Rector*.GEORGE N. FISHER and Col. JAMES H. JONES, U. S. Marine Corps, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 33; adult, 1; total 34. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Present number, 307. Marriages, 21. Funerals, 33. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 210.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$223.98. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$312.54; pew-rents, \$1,862; other sources, \$980; total, \$3,154.54. Church fair, \$1,050. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,433.52.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$70. Convention Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$85.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Domestic missions: Bishop Garrett (Mite Chests), \$54.35; Bishop Garrett (Sunday school, in memoriam), \$50. Foreign missions: Africa, \$18.50; mission to the Jews, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$132.85.

Total of contributions, \$4,651.37.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, EAST BOSTON.The Rev. WILLIAM H. MONROE, *Rector*.GEORGE H. PLUMMER and WILLIAM A. PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 24. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; died, 2; present number, 184. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 29. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$1,229.10; donations, \$155.40; total, \$1,384.50. Parish library, \$51. Increase and improvement of church property, \$24.27. Other parochial objects, \$35.13. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,394.90.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5. Foreign missions, \$21.15. Total for missionary contributions, \$26.15.

Total of contributions, \$1,430.63.

REMARKS.

The parish has been without a settled rector since September, 1879, when Mr. Harraden resigned. The Rev. W. H. Monroe has filled the rector's place since then, and has recently been elected to the rectorship.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (JAMAICA PLAIN), BOSTON.The Rev. SUMNER UPHAM SHEARMAN, *Rector*.FRANK W. REYNOLDS and THOMAS P. PROCTOR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 2; total, 10. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 17; total added, 23; died, 3; removed, 10; total lost, 13; present number, 191. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 170. Church: Value, \$11,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$1,800; sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$250.07. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$175.13; pew-rents, \$2,278.13; subscriptions, \$811; total, \$3,264.26. Sunday school, \$128.58. Sunday-school picnic, \$28.90. Christmas festival, \$113.41. Easter festival, \$72.59. Christmas decorations, \$20.25. Building Fund, \$1,614.62. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,512.68.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$87.50. Convention Fund, \$25. Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$5. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$12. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$20. Christian or theological education, \$20. House of Good Samaritan, \$5. Parish Missionary Association, \$56. Total for objects without the parish, \$230.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic missions in general, \$32.27; Dakota League, \$20; total, \$52.27. Foreign missions: Mexican mission, \$59.05; salary of missionary in Japan, \$15; total, \$74.05. Total for missionary contributions, \$176.32.

Total of contributions, \$5,919.50.

REMARKS.

Of the amount mentioned in the above report as for the Building Fund, \$1,225.77 has been obtained through the instrumentality of the parish guild: the balance has been received from the monthly offering for that purpose.

The parish missionary associations have sent to a missionary at Wilmington, N.C., a box and barrel the contents of which are valued at \$128.73.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH (BRIGHTON), BOSTON.

The Rev. AUGUSTUS PRIME, *Rector*.

THEODORE T. S. LAIDLEY and JOHN H. STURGIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12. Communicants: Received, 2; removed, 5; present number, 50. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 35. Church: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$9,000.

REMARKS.

I took charge of this parish only on Sexagesima Sunday, therefore I am not able to send in a detailed report. Three months previous to this date there was no resident rector. The financial report of the parish has already been sent by the wardens to the treasurer, and, owing to the absence of the parish treasurer, I am not able to give any additional particulars.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. LEONIDAS BRADLEY BALDWIN, *Rector*.

JACOB H. HATHORNE and EDWARD H. SPRAGUE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 2; total, 9. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 32; total added, 38; removed, 70; present number, about 200. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 125.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$287.74. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$3,006.77. Sunday school, \$95. Other parochial objects, \$275. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,754.51.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$186.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$95.00. Domestic missions in general, \$45; for the Freedmen, \$71.07; for Indians, \$43.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$250.07.

Total of contributions, \$4,100.58.

REMARKS.

The rector assumed the charge of this parish on the second Sunday in November last: the report for the year, therefore, is imperfect, and the statistics meagre. The renewed life of the parish, with the steadily increasing interest manifested, encourage us to hope for better things to come.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. L. W. SALTONSTALL, *Rector*.

JOHN P. CLAPP and DANIEL B. STEDMAN, JUN., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Present number, 180. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 98.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$141.37. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$385.03; collections in church, \$440.53; pew-rents, \$1,611.81; donations, \$1,255.00; other sources, \$1,300; total, \$5,893.92. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,035.29.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$13. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$17.84. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$46. Christian or theological education, \$107.85. Total for objects without the parish, \$184.19.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$46.57. Domestic missions: Money, \$109.89; articles valued at \$54.00; total, \$164.49. Foreign missions, \$18.55. Total for missionary contributions, \$230.41.

Total of contributions, \$6,451.89.

FREE CHURCH OF ST. MARY FOR SAILORS.

The Rev. JOSHUA R. PHIRCH, *Minister.*

RICHARD L. THOMAS and PETER EAGAN, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 6. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; present number, 70. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 40; scholars, 35.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary; Offerings at the offertory, \$486.65. For poor, \$5.45. Christmas decorations and Easter flowers, \$22.60. From Parish Aid Society, \$102.65. From Men's Guild, \$87.81. Total for objects within the parish, \$705.16.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$6. Domestic missions, \$6. Total for missionary contributions, \$12.

Total of contributions, \$717.16.

REMARKS.

The rector having resigned at Easter, this report includes statistics up to that time.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, *Rector.*

The Rev. THOMAS W. NICKERSON, *Assistant.*

DAVID CLAPP and HENRY W. NELSON, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 74; adults, 6; total, 80. Confirmed, 40. Communicants: Admitted, 20; received, 40; total added, 60; died, 15; removed, 10; total lost, 25; present number, 415. Marriages, 27. Funerals, 53. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 250. St. Matthew's Chapel: Teachers, 10; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 650. Chapel: Sittings, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$319.91. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$810.69; pew-rents, \$2,294.71; investments in sinking fund, \$166; other sources, \$127.20; total, \$3,398.60. Sunday school, \$200. Fair for church debt, \$1,000.

Rector's Bible class, \$175. Assistant minister, \$500. St. Matthew's Chapel, \$175. Sunday-school library, \$50. Lecture Fund, \$48.61. Ladies' Aid Society, \$200. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,867.15.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$70. Convention Fund, \$20. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$25. Society for Increase of Ministry, \$87.25. Total for objects without the parish, \$202.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$33.50. Domestic missions: For Jewish missions, \$18.50; Indian missions, \$50; miscellaneous, \$10; total, \$78.50. Foreign missions: Missions in China, \$13; scholarship in Joppa, Palestine, \$25; scholarship in Africa, \$25; total, \$63. Total for missionary contributions, \$175.

Total of contributions, \$6,244.40.

REMARKS.

During the year the record of communicants has been thoroughly revised, and the number reported above is the actual number of communicants at the present time.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. WILLIAM WILBERFORCE NEWTON, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 4; total, 23. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Admitted, 18; received, 40; total added, 58; died, 14; removed, 15; total lost, 29; present number, about 400. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 14. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 178.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$529.46. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$10,858.37; other sources, \$1,228.67; total, \$12,087.04. Sunday school, \$137.34. Reduction of debt, \$2,337.52. St. Paul's Guild, \$240.50. Ladies' Missionary Society, \$69.16. Industrial Society, \$109.62. Parish poor, \$30.69. Advisory Board, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$15,647.33.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$98.91. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$53.30. Society for Increase of Ministry, \$200. Miscellaneous, \$228.12. Total for objects without the parish, \$580.33.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$27.49; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,000; total, \$1,027.49. Domestic missions in general, \$244.45; Western missions, \$20; total, \$264.45. Miscellaneous missionary offerings, \$1,532.75. Total for missionary contributions, \$2,824.69.

Total of contributions, \$19,052.35.

ST. STEPHEN'S CITY MISSION, BOSTON.

The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, *Missionary*.

Baptisms: Infants, 21. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Present number, 88. Marriages, 19. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 64. Church furniture, &c.: Value, \$250. Parsonage: Value, \$12,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$12,250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Offerings at the offertory, \$149.51. Sunday school, \$16.24. Total for objects within the parish, \$165.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic missions, \$5.25. Foreign missions, \$1.81. Total for missionary contributions, \$20.06.

Total of contributions, \$185.81.

TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., *Rector*.

The Revs. FREDERICK BAYLIES ALLEN and BRYAN B. KILLICKELY, *Assistants*.

CHARLES HENRY PARKER and CHARLES RUSSELL CODMAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 33; adults, 17; total, 50. Confirmations, 51. Marriages, 31. Funerals, 34. Communicants: Present number, about 900. Sunday school: Teachers, 48; scholars, 489. Bible-class scholars, 148. Sewing-school scholars, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Communion alms, \$2,953.78. Church Home, \$2,961. Charitable societies of the parish, \$3,542.30. For support of the Sunday school, \$615.32. Contributions of the Sunday school, \$490.20. Gifts to the church-building, \$3,250. Total for objects within the parish, \$13,812.60.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Support of the Chapel of the Evangelists, \$1,500. Rev. Dr. Porter's School in Charleston, S.C., \$780. Massachusetts Bible Society, \$805. Total for objects without the parish, \$5,085.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — City missions, \$932.20. Diocesan missions, \$1,632.55. Domestic missions, \$3,042. Indian missions, \$1,000. Foreign missions, \$5,390.35. Miscellaneous, \$2,500. Total for missionary contributions, \$14,497.10.

Total of contributions, \$31,394.70.

REMARKS.

The work and contributions of the Chapel of the Evangelists will be reported by the Rev. B. B. Killikely, our assistant minister-in-charge of that part of our parish.

TRINITY CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.

The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adult, 1; total, 5. Communicants: Received, 9; died, 1; present number, 39. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 60. Church: Value: \$7,000; sittings, 400. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$28.52.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.17.

Total of contributions, \$43.69.

REMARKS.

No treasurer's report has been received. It will be noticed that the Sunday school has three times the number of last year, and the number of

communicants has increased nearly one-fourth. The situation of this ancient parish renders it peculiarly a missionary church. The church has been kept open, and free services have been furnished to all who may desire to come every Sunday and Holy Day. Services have been held in towns in the neighborhood; and scattered households of church-people many miles from the parish church have been visited. A communicant of this church has established a church Sunday school at Wareham, under the superintendence of the rector of this parish; and it is hoped soon to have regular services at Middleborough, Abington, Hanson, Sandwich, Wareham, encouraging communications having been received from these places, looking toward at least a week-day service. This report does not include duties performed at the State workhouse, of which the rector is chaplain. This large prison is a parish of great and increasing interest, seven hundred and more prisoners being received during the year.

ST. PAUL'S MISSION, BROCKTON.

The Rev. JAMES AUGUSTUS SANDERSON, *Missionary*.

ALEXANDER F. BURDON, *Church-Warden*.

Baptism: Infant, 1. Communicants: Received, 5; died, 1; present number, 36. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$3,600; sittings, 170.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$113.74; pew-rents, \$119.33; subscriptions, \$25; donations, \$142.25; other sources, \$104.50; total, \$504.82. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$13.30. Total for objects within the parish, \$518.12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.90.

Total of contributions, \$523.12.

REMARKS.

This mission has suffered during the year the loss, by death and removal, of some of its most devoted and efficient communicants and members. The missionary has also labored under the disadvantage of being at Brockton but a part of the time.

It is to be hoped, however, that, when some better arrangement can be made, there will be a bright future for the church-work in this important town. The missionary has held services from time to time at East Bridge-water and at Stoughton.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKLINE.

The Rev. LEONARD KIP STORES, *Rector*.

HENRY S. CHASE and MORTIMER C. FERRIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 2; total, 13. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 8; present number, 229. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 135.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$692.13. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$6,555.24. Sunday school (Christmas tree) and reading-room, \$224.54. Easter celebration for Sunday school, \$84. Thanksgiving collection for poor, \$80.22. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,636.13.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$150. Convention Fund, \$32. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$134.41. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, from Sunday school, \$100. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$350. Brookline Charities, \$173.53. American Bible Society, \$100. New-York Bible and Prayer-Book Society, \$37.46. Total for objects without the parish, \$982.40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$296.51. Domestic missions in general, including Lenten offerings from Sunday school, \$563.28; Women's Auxiliary (for Mrs. Bishop Payne's work, \$75; box valued, say \$75; for Indiana, say \$100), \$350; total \$813.23. Foreign missions in general, \$524.34; Sunday school, for Chinese scholarship, \$50; total, \$574.34. Total for missionary contributions, \$1,684.13.

Total of contributions, \$10,302.66.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, EAST CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. ALEXANDER VIETS GRISWOLD ALLEN, D.D., *Minister*.

JAMES WILLARD PRESTON, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7. Communicants: Received, 9; died, 2; removed, 1; total lost, 3; present number, 80; Marriage, 1. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 26; scholars, 144.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses: Offerings at the offertory, \$78.23; collections in church, \$270.91; donations, \$1,375.50; Guild and Sunday school, \$325.58; total, \$1,950.22. Sunday school, \$35.80. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$527.94. Building Fund, \$1,000. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,563.96.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$22.80. Domestic: Yankton Indian mission, \$16.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$39.05.

Total of contributions, \$3,603.01.

REMARKS.

A lease has been taken of the Unitarian church-building for five years. Permission being given in the lease to make such alterations in the building as might render it more suitable for our worship, a recess chancel has been constructed by means of a temporary screen. The chancel furniture has been provided, the floor carpeted, and the worshippers at the mission now enjoy an attractive church home. The expense of these changes has been largely borne by friends of the mission from without, and to them our thanks are gratefully rendered, not only for their material aid, but also for the stimulus which has been given to the work itself by these proofs of their interest and sympathy. The congregations during the year have greatly increased. Among the special gifts are a surplice, a marble font, and a bishop's chair. Mr. Alfred F. Washburn of the Episcopal Theological School has assisted as superintendent of the Sunday school. To his devoted zeal its very satisfactory condition is owing, and he has also made himself felt in every department of the work.

CHRIST CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. JAMES FIELD SPALDING, *Rector*.

GEORGE DEXTER and LUCIUS L. HUBBARD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 21. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 4; total added, 7; died, 3; present number, 164. Marriages, 7.

Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 28; scholars, 140. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 450. Chapel: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000. Ministerial Fund, \$13,262.57.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$195.88. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$984.27; pledges, \$1,790.98; subscriptions, \$350; investments, \$123.36; total, \$3,248.61. Sunday-school offerings for current expenses, \$50.32. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$840.76. Reduction of parish debt, \$672.59. Special offering for the poor of the parish, \$62.63. Flowers for Easter decoration, \$33.85. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,104.64.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$60. Convention Fund, \$5. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$19.95. Christian or theological education, \$22.25. Total for objects without the parish, \$107.20.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$106.22. Domestic: Indian missions, \$11; Freedmen, \$7.31; Woman's Auxiliary, \$41.30; Arthur Hurd scholarship, Salt Lake City, \$9.02; to Bishop Vail, \$5; to Bishop Whipple, \$10; to Bishop Hare, \$10; missionary work in Maine, \$5; missionary work in Minnesota, \$5; total, \$103.63. Foreign missions in general, \$61.20; to St. John's College, Shanghai (sent through the St. Paul's Society of Harvard College), \$54.41; towards the Rev. Mr. Tyng's life-insurance, \$9.50; total, \$125.11. Total for missionary contributions, \$334.96.

Total of contributions, \$5,546.80.

REMARKS.

The present rector entered upon his duties on the first Sunday in Advent. The above report is accordingly made up, in part, from the books of the wardens.

The rector has to record as a topic of permanent interest, that, through the liberality of certain of his parishioners, the interior of the church has recently been much improved by building out a choir from the former chancel, with clergy stalls, and choristers' seats for men and boys on either side. The choristers, duly vested, rendered the musical portions of the service for the first time on the second Sunday after Easter.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, NORTH CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, *Rector*.

ALBERT S. PILLSBURY, *Lay Reader (at St. James's Chapel, West Somerville)*.

JAMES M. BARKER and CHARLES R. WOODS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 32; adults, 4; total, 36. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 17; total added, 27; removed, 11; present number, 112. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 7. Sunday schools: Church,—officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 102; Chapel,—teachers, 8; scholars, 60. Total, 188. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 275. Chapel: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 175. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$51.80. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,626.38; chapel offertory, \$70.91. Sunday schools: Church, \$99.56; chapel, \$25.87; total, \$125.43. Parish library, donations of books to the value of \$10. Parochial missions: Chapel debt in full (less \$57.50, otherwise accounted), \$531.88, of which \$275 was a

special gift of "friends" in Boston. Chapel improvements, expenses of conveyance, &c., \$57.50. Towards improvement of church-property (Carpet Fund), including \$95.39, profits of parlor sale held by the Girls' Guild, \$164.26. Special Music Fund, including \$26.25, net profits of parlor entertainment, \$71.75. Croswell memorial tablet, \$90.90. Towards bell for chapel, \$28.50. "Floy Fund," \$3.37. Christmas festivals, — church, \$41.50; chapel, \$32.00, — \$74.40. Easter festival, \$10. Lenten offerings, \$6.75. Trinity festival, \$8.62. Sundries, \$19.29. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,951.74.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, interest on parish note, \$14. Convention Fund, \$10. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$18.74. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$13.66. Christian or theological education, \$26.72. Cambridge Dispensary, \$12.60. Total for objects without the parish, \$95.72.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, two collections, \$26.28. Domestic missions in general, \$100; special, through Woman's Auxillary, for support of sister Eliza, \$5; from Sunday school, for Calvary Parish, Missouri, \$4.25; total, \$109.25. Foreign missions in general, \$100; towards Henrietta F. Boone scholarship, \$13.01; towards Lydia Maria Fay scholarship, St. John's College, \$20; towards new missionary to China, \$25; towards insurance dues, Rev. T. S. Tyng, \$12.50; total, \$170.51. Total for missionary contributions, \$306.04.

Total of contributions, \$3,353.50.

REMARKS.

The period since midsummer, 1878, has been one of transition for this parish, and as such has been attended by some peculiar disadvantages. The present rector took charge of the parish as lay reader on the first Sunday, which was also the first day, of September, 1878, succeeding the Rev. T. S. Tyng, whose resignation took effect in July previous; but his ordination to the diaconate did not occur until the 8th of January following, and his ordination to the priesthood, not until the 20th of January, 1880; his actual rectorship dating only from Dec. 22, 1879. During this period, however, the parish has not only borne its deprivations in an admirable spirit, but has been neither idle nor unfruitful. At the close of the conventional year 1879-80, a survey of its general condition shows that it has altogether held its own, and in some respects has made a positive advance. The growth of the ordinary congregations both at the church and the chapel has been manifest; and the special services, such as those of Advent and of Daily Evening Prayer, and the weekly communion during Lent, have been unusually well attended. The number of baptisms and the classes for confirmation have been at least as large as, and the contributions for all purposes from within the parish have been several hundred dollars larger than, ever before in its history. The debt on the chapel at West Somerville has been paid, the chapel consecrated, and a simple form of organization adopted for the better prosecution of the chapel-work, under which it is hoped that the work next year will become self-sustaining. A fitting memorial to the late Rev. Andrew Croswell, the founder and first rector of the parish, and to his wife, has been gratefully erected by the parish in the church. The interest of the young people has been actively enlisted in behalf of several projects for the improvement of the church's services and property. Special instruction in church music has been given through the last winter, by a competent teacher, to all interested; and there has been a pleasant succession of thank-offerings in money, or objects for church use, among them being a choice font-ewer for the church, a set of communion-vessels for the chapel, and a very beautiful communion-table of oak, also for the chapel, — the latter the handiwork of the giver, a vestryman of the parish. Special interest has also been imparted to the church Sunday school by the adult classes, — one, of

women, taught by Mr. Horace E. Scudder; the other, of men, by Mr. J. Laurence Laughlin, one of the instructors in Harvard University, who has gone through a conversational course on the Evidences of Christianity. The rector is under obligations to the Revs. F. A. Foxcroft, Dexter Potter, and William Warland, the first two of whom are members of the parish, for occasional assistance, and to the wardens and vestry, and, indeed, the entire parish, for the most cordial support of his work at every point.

ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL CHAPEL, CAMBRIDGE.

(*Chapel of the Episcopal Theological School.*)

The Rev. GEORGE ZABBISKIE GRAY, D.D., *Dean.*

Families and parts of families, about 100; individuals, about 275; usual attendance, including college students, about 350. Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 2; total, 9. Communicants, 150. Confirmed, 10. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers, 14; scholars, 90.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For expenses, including Sunday school (no salary paid by the congregation), \$1,736.16. Episcopal support, \$25. Theological education (through offerings to the societies, and also directly), \$317.34. Cambridge Dispensary, \$40. The poor, and miscellaneous objects, \$282.13.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan, \$100.50. Domestic, \$165.50; Indian, \$114.03; Freedmen, \$61.09; total, \$341.52. Foreign, \$117.87. Total for missionary contributions, \$559.89.

Total of contributions, \$2,960.52.

REMARKS.

This chapel was recognized by the Bishop and Standing Committee, in 1867, as a legitimate place of worship; but the congregation has no connection with the Convention; and is not organized. The above statistics regarding attendance, &c., embrace those who are registered by the Dean, and depend upon him for pastoral attention. Besides them, there are many present on each Lord's Day and at the daily services, who are not registered, and whose attendance is irregular. There are about eighty Harvard students in all departments who make this their place of worship.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. EDWARD MANNING GUSHEE, *Rector.*

EDWARD R. COGSWELL and WILLIAM W. DALLINGER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 36; adults, 5; total, 41. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 15; received, 10; total added, 25; died, 6; removed, 8; total lost, 14; present number, 289. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 17. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 204.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Aims at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, \$93.02. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$3,234.18. Sunday school, \$17. Parochial missions, \$201.89. Increase and improvement of church-property, through the Altar Society, \$94. Industrial Society, for cloth for the poor, in addition to other donations of clothing, \$21. Young Women's Guild, for mission chapel, \$20. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,681.09.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$30. Christian or theological education, \$0. Clerical Retiring Fund Society, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25. Domestic missions in general, \$32; Indian missions, \$12.50; total, \$44.50. Foreign missions in general, \$32; Sunday school, for foreign missions, \$40; also by the Missionary Guild, contributions of boxes for Chinese Hospital, Orphan Asylum, Memphis, St. Luke's Home, Orphan Asylum, Lowell, altar-linen embroidered by Altar Society for Rev. Mr. Boone, China, in all valued at \$195; total, \$267. Total for missionary contributions, \$336.50.

Total of contributions, \$4,056.50.

REMARKS.

The rector is under obligations to the Rev. Dr. Hoppin and the Rev. Henry N. Hudson for regular and frequent ministrations in this parish. He also marks this year a great increase in the number of faithful and useful workers. So far as parochial organizations are concerned, the Missionary Guild, the Altar Society, the Industrial Society, and the Young Woman's Guild, have become so familiarized with their respective duties, that they are not only of very positive assistance to the rector, but their importance in the parish is felt and recognized.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, CHELMSFORD.

The Rev. BENJAMIN F. COOLEY, *Rector-elect*.

CHARLES D. CLARK and A. T. HODGE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adult, 1; total, 6. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2; present number, 42. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Scholars, 41. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$266.00. Other parochial objects, \$362.78. Total for objects within the parish, \$622.84.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.

Total of contributions, \$627.84.

REMARKS.

The parish has considerably increased the past year. The chapel is no longer suitable or large enough to accommodate the growing congregation. A church of stone has been commenced, and will be built as fast as funds procured will allow. No debt will be incurred. It is hoped it may be in condition to be used in the fall.

The rector is much encouraged by earnest and kindly disposed parishioners and a united parish.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CHELSEA.

The Rev. JOHN THOMPSON BURRILL (*late*), *Officiating Clergyman*.

G. M. GOLDING and E. P. CONNOR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adult, 1; total, 10. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 2; total added, 6; died, 2; removed, 6; total lost, 8; present number, 170. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 29; scholars, 200. Church: Value, \$15,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$188.94. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$169.10; pew-rents, \$768.47; donations, \$35; investments, \$75; other sources, \$31.21; total, \$1,267.72. Sunday school, \$246.07. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,513.79.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$12.

Total of contributions, \$1,537.79.

GRACE CHURCH, CHICOPEE.

[No Report.]

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, CLINTON.

The Rev. HENRY LEWIS FOOTE, *Rector*.

CHARLES G. STEVENS and JOHN JOHNSTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adult, 1; total, 11. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 10; total added, 20; died, 1; removed, 8; total lost, 9; present number, 80. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 133. Church and lot: Value, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$23.47. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$941.81. Sunday school, \$22.11. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$50. Easter offering for Rectory Fund, \$113. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,150.39.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$36. Domestic missions, \$8. Foreign missions, \$14.26. Total for missionary contributions, \$53.26.

Total of contributions, \$1,208.65.

CALVARY CHURCH, DANVERS.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Rector*.

JOHN S. PRATT and BENJAMIN R. TIBBETTS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 2; total, 8. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 2; total added, 9; died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4; present number, 85. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 275. Parsonage lot: Value, \$600. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$4. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$402.24; subscriptions, \$52; donations, \$31; investments, \$112.50; rent of lot, \$10; total, \$607.74. Sunday school, \$9.77. Increase and improvement of church-property, — balance for furnace, \$76.14. Total for objects within the parish, \$697.65.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$4. Convention Fund, \$4. Total for objects without the parish, \$8.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic missions in general, — Sunday school offering, \$12.12; box for Indian missions, \$18, — \$30.12. Total for missionary contributions, \$40.12.

Total of contributions, \$745.77.

REMARKS.

The work of the parish has been performed as usual, with no interruption during the past year. The congregation has manifestly increased, and seems to be alive to its duties, for which I heartily thank God.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, DEDHAM.

The Rev. ARTHUR M. BACKUS, *Rector.*

IRA CLEVELAND and THOMAS L. WAKEFIELD, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 12; total added, 17; removed, 4; present number, 200. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 120. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 100. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$36,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$137.03. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$504.39; collections in church, \$65.12; pew-rents, \$1,367.35; investments, \$549.53; total, \$2,486.39. Sunday school, \$45.88. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$309.53. Easter decoration, \$35. Guild-work, \$71.59. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,063.42.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$20. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$5. Box to Church Home, \$15. Box to St. Stephen's House, Boston, \$18. Total for objects without the parish, \$58.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$122.76. Domestic missions in general, \$34; Nashotah, \$15; Jews, \$9.50; special, \$20; box to Dakota League, \$35; scholarship St. Mark's School, Utah, \$45; total, \$158.50. Foreign missions in general, \$16.52; Mr. and Mrs. Fair, Cape Palmas, Africa, \$15; Lydia Mary Fay Memorial, China, \$25; Mr. Blanchet, Japan, \$20; total, \$76.52. Total for missionary contributions, \$357.78.

Total of contributions, \$3,501.20.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, DEDHAM.

The Rev. WILLIAM FRANKLIN CHENEY, *Rector.*

WILLIAM B. WELCH and EPHRAIM L. FROTHINGHAM, Jun., *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adult, 1; total, 9. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 6; total added, 11; died, 2; present number, 69. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 120. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 280. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$30.48. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$140.80; pew-rents, \$212; subscriptions, \$219; donations, \$500; other sources,

\$154.90; total, \$1,226.70. Sunday school, \$89.36. Parish library, \$33.53. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$370.66. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,750.73.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.12. Domestic missions, \$46.41. Foreign missions, \$57. Total for missionary contributions, \$114.53.

Total of contributions, \$1,865.26.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, EASTHAMPTON.

The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Present number, 50. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 50.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$375. Society of Cheerful Workers, \$63. Subscription for the Building Fund, about \$1,600; cash paid in, \$130. Total for objects within the parish, \$568.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, FALL RIVER.

The Rev. WILLIAM T. FITCH, *Rector*.

The Rev. ARTHUR H. BARRINGTON, *Assistant-in-Charge of St. John's Chapel and St. Mark's*.

BORDEN CHASE and CHARLES PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 67; adults, 12; total, 79. Confirmed, 52. Communicants: Admitted, 49; received, 4; total added, 53; died, 3; removed, 4; total lost, 7; present number, 311. Parish Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 135. St. John's Mission school: Teachers, 18; scholars, 235. St. Mark's Chapel: Teachers, 14; scholars, 125. Total parish and missions, 547.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$40; special, \$15; Bishop's Fund, \$35; total, \$90. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$510.79; pew-rents, \$1,596.23; subscriptions and donations, \$175; total, \$2,282.02. Parish Sunday school, \$77.84. Offerings St. John's Chapel Mission Sunday school, \$176; congregation, St. John's Mission, \$404; total, \$580. Offerings, St. Mark's Chapel Sunday school, \$70; congregation, \$105; St. Mark's paid on chapel, \$404; total, \$570. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,608.86.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$20. Convention Fund, \$16. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, annuity, \$15. Orphans' Home, Fall River, \$37.55. Total for objects without the parish, \$88.55.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$60.73. Foreign and Domestic missions: Children's Lent offering (Parish school, \$24.49; St. John's school, \$33.06; St. Mark's school, \$10.45), \$68. Total for missionary contributions, \$128.73.

Total of contributions, \$3,825.14.

REMARKS.

As to the number of baptisms performed in the parish, more than two-thirds were by the assistant in the two missions; and, of the total number con-

firmed, at least thirty-five to thirty-eight were the fruits of the first year's work in the chapels. During the year past a building has been purchased for a chapel, and a lot given for the same by a member of the parish at Flint Village. No debt has been incurred. The building will comfortably seat two hundred. Measures are being taken to lease land, with the privilege of purchase, at Globe Village. Already enough money has been secured for a plain building, to be enlarged as the wants of the mission may require. Both of these missions are doing great good for the laboring element, and the parish church bids fair to more than hold its own.

GRACE CHURCH, FISKDALE.

The Rev. D'ESTAING JENNINGS, *Rector*.

GEORGE HENRY SPARHAWK and JOHN HENDRON HARRISON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 1; total added, 2; removed, 3; present number, 27. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 45.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$13.24. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Subscriptions, \$880.32; donations, \$24; total, \$913.32. By the Sunday school, \$24.21. For the Sunday school, \$20. Total for objects within the parish, \$970.77.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$10. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$2.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$12.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$8. Domestic missions for colored people, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$13. Total of contributions, \$996.27.

CHRIST CHURCH, FITCHBURG.

The Rev. EMELIUS W. SMITH, *Rector*.

DENNIS FAY and GEORGE D. COLONY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 18; adults, 3; total, 21. Confirmed, 22. Communicants: Present number, 165. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 170. Church: Value, \$61,000; sittings, 500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$102. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$2,794.68. Sunday school, \$241.42. Parish library, \$42. Other parochial objects, \$47.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,227.60.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$58. Convention Fund, \$18. Total for objects without the parish, \$74.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$64.60; box, \$11.71; total, \$186.31. Domestic missions: Box for Indians, \$33.10; Utah box, \$27.60; total, \$60.70. Foreign missions, \$20. Total for missionary contributions, \$267.01.

Total of contributions, \$3,568.61.

ST. JOHN'S (FREE) CHURCH, FRAMINGHAM.

JAMES W. BROWN and **ALEXANDER R. ESTY**, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 3; total, 5. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Present number, 60. Funeral, 1. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$18,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, \$462.05.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.

Total of contributions, \$472.05.

REMARKS.

During the past year the services of the church have been chiefly under the direction of lay reading by Mr. E. R. Woodman (of the Episcopal Divinity School at Cambridge), whose faithful devotedness to the work has been crowned with renewed interest on the part of the people.

The parish is under many obligations to the Rev. J. I. T. Coolidge, D.D., rector of St. Mark's, Southborough, for his kindly interest, and readiness to render such special services as might be needed, and also to the Rev. Mr. Gifford of Natick, and others of the clergy, for visitations to administer the rite of Holy Communion. It is expected (D.V.) that this parish, whose precincts cover the three villages of the town in which are scattered its communicants, will be enabled at the next Convention to make its report through a rector.

ALEXANDER R. ESTY,

Junior Warden.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, GLOUCESTER.

The Rev. W. R. HOOPER, *Rector*.

JOHN H. STACY and **WILLIAM BABSON**, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 2; total added, 5; died, 2; removed, 6; total lost, 8; present number, 57. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 60.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$446.88. Sunday school, \$13. Total for objects within the parish, \$459.88.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$3.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.50. Domestic missions, \$8.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$24.

Total of contributions, \$486.88.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREAT BARRINGTON.

The Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON, *Rector*.

M. I. WHITLOCK and **WILLIAM H. PARKS, M.D.**, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 8; total, 17. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 2; total added, 12; died, 4; removed, 2; total lost, 6; present number, 132. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 80.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Aims at Holy Communion, \$95.69. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory,

\$184.78; pew-rents, \$1,250; subscriptions, \$700; total, \$2,134.78. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$94.93. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,325.46.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$12. Christian or theological education, \$22.31. Erection of churches and chapels, \$19.70. Relief of widows and orphans, \$13.20. Total for objects without the parish, \$67.21.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30.40; Western Convocation, \$10; total, \$40.40. Domestic missions, \$14.10. Foreign missions in general, \$6.23; Mexican mission, \$10; total, \$16.23. Total for missionary contributions, \$70.73.

Total of contributions, \$2,463.34.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREENFIELD.

The Rev. P. VOORHEES FINCH, *Rector*.

SIMEON PHILLIPS and CHARLES R. LOWELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adult, 1; total, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 11; total added, 19; died, 3; removed, 5; total lost, 8; present number, 151. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 100. Church: Value \$18,000; sittings, 350. Chapel: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$8,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$28,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$73.18. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$245.90; collections in church, \$260.86; pew-rents, \$1,325.07; subscriptions, \$206.95; other sources, \$491.51; total, \$2,536.29. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,609.47.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$12. Total for objects without the parish, \$47.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.05. Domestic missions in general, \$20.13; Dakota League, Massachusetts branch, one box clothing, \$100; total, \$120.13. Total for missionary contributions, \$130.18.

Total of contributions, \$2,786.65.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, HANOVER.

The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D., *Officiating Minister*.

LEMUEL CUSHING WATERMAN and WARREN WRIGHT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptism: Infant, 1. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; died, 2; removed, 2; present number, 76. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 50. Church: Value, \$9,850; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$4,600. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$14,450.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$212.64. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,354. Sunday school (\$10.92 contributed by the Sunday school), \$123.17. Parish library, \$52.74. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$1,850. Parochial objects, \$61.94. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,654.49.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$23. Convention Fund, \$10. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$16. Relief of poor, \$60. Total for objects without the parish, \$114.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20. Domestic missions in general, \$20.75; domestic missions, \$105; Sister Eliza, Denver, Col., \$5; Dakota League, Massachusetts Branch (in articles), \$53.33; total, \$184.08. Massachusetts Branch Woman's Auxiliary, \$10; Mexican Mission League (Massachusetts Branch), \$10; total, \$20. Total for missionary contributions, \$224.08.

Total of contributions, \$3,992.57.

REMARKS.

During the past conventional year a commodious and churchly chancel has been added, at the expense of two of the communicants of the parish. This pious work of "these women full of good works and alms-deeds" doubtless has been "approved of and graciously accepted by our heavenly Father."

In connection with this addition, the interior of the church-edifice, at the expense of the parishioners, has been greatly changed and vastly improved, though still retaining many of its original features.

The parish sewing-circle, now in the fifty-first year of its existence, labors with unabated zeal, and blesses with the fruits of its industry. Of the foregoing contributions, \$163.27 came from this department of Christian work.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE, *Minister*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; present number, 67. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 73. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$2,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$7,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$357.38; donations, \$17.50; total, \$374.88. Sunday school, \$25.94. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$83. Christmas tree, \$35.80. Easter cards, \$10. For the poor, through the Rector's Aid Association, \$34.68. Total for objects within the parish, \$504.30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$2. Domestic missions: Indian missions (Dakota League, through the Rector's Aid Association, missionary box, value, \$19; cash, \$1), \$20. Foreign missions: Jaffa, Palestine, Sunday-school Lenten offering, \$5; Mexico, Sunday-school Lenten offering, \$4; total, \$9. Total for missionary contributions, \$31.

Total of contributions, \$595.30.

TRINITY CHURCH, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES ARTHUR RAND, *Rector*.

EDWARD FRANKLIN ADAMS and CHARLES TAPPAN CHASE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 3; total, 15. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 4; total added, 7; died, 5; removed, 3; total lost, 8; present number, 209. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 115.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$11.88. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,807.43. Sunday school, \$127.39. Increase and improvement of church-property: Repairs, \$195.25. Music, \$137.96. Christmas and Easter decoration, \$29.50. For the poor, \$20.23. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,329.64.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$21. Convention Fund, \$15. Theological education: Seabury Divinity School, \$10. Erection of churches and chapels: St. Mary the Virgin, Baltimore (from the Sunday school), \$7.50. Children's Aid Society, Haverhill, \$23.02. St. Luke's Orphanage, Haverhill (from the Sunday School), \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$86.52.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30. Domestic missions in general: Through mite-chests, \$3.33; Indian missions, \$10; missions among the colored people, \$20; towards Sister Eliza's salary, \$8; value of two missionary boxes, \$71; total, \$112.33. Foreign missions in general: Through mite-chests, \$3.10; St. John's College, Shanghai, \$20; Japan (from the Sunday school), \$6.53; total, \$29.63. Total for missionary contributions, \$171.96.

Total of contributions, \$2,588.12.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOLYOKE.

The Rev. A. SKEELE, *Rector*.

GEORGE H. LE DOYT and ELIAS P. FORD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 20; total added, 30; died, 2; removed, 7; total lost, 9; present number, 215. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 140. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 320. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$71.75. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$148.20; collections in church, \$344.45; pew-rents, \$1,533.37; Ladies' Guild, \$310; total, \$2,336.02. Sunday school, \$80. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$101.89. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,589.66.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$14. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$10. Erection of churches and chapels, \$30. Gloucester sufferers, \$50. Total for objects without the parish, \$156.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$26. Domestic missions, \$10. Foreign missions, \$25. Total for missionary contributions, \$61.

Total of contributions, \$2,807.16.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOPKINTON.

WILLARD WADSWORTH and WILLIAM KENNEDY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptism: Infant, 1. Communicants: Died, 1; present number, 12. Marriages, 2. Funeral, 1. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,650.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.

CHRIST CHURCH, HYDE PARK.

The Rev. FREDERICK H. T. HORSFIELD, *Rector*.

HENRY HYDE SMITH and JOSIAH MONBOE, Jun., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 4; total, 21. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 6; total added, 11; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 106. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 88. Church: Value, \$17,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$17,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$64.32. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$341.46; pew-rents, \$994; subscriptions, \$65.75; donations, \$13.75; weekly pledges, \$103.08; total, \$1,518.04. Sunday school, \$100.14. Parish Guild, \$20.45. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,702.95.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$84. Convention Fund, \$10. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$6.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$100.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$28.85. Domestic missions in general, \$14.50; for Indians, one box value, \$43; membership, \$5, — \$48; one box, \$25; mite-chests, \$11.05; total, \$98.55. Foreign missions in general, \$7.38; half scholarship in Duane Hall, China, \$25; total, \$32.98. Total for missionary contributions, \$159.78.

Total of contributions, \$1,963.23.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, IPSWICH.

The Rev. REUBEN KIDNER, *Rector*.

EVERARD HALL MARTIN and JOHN BIRCH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16; adult, 1; total, 17. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 5; removed, 5; present number, 52. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 80.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$41.94. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$354.62; subscriptions, \$550.40; balance, \$10.42; proceeds of fair, \$292.86; total, \$1,208.30. Sunday school, \$32. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$163. Christmas festival, \$45. Easter expenses, \$17. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,507.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$7.10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25. Foreign missions: Woman's Auxilliary, \$7.82. Total for missionary contributions, \$32.82.

Total of contributions, \$1,547.16.

REMARKS.

This parish, after having received annual assistance from the Church of the Ascension, New York, for a long time, has been able this year to meet its own expenses.

The appeal which has been made during the past winter to the Diocese to enable the parish to pay the debt of five thousand dollars which encumbers the church-property has met with a liberal response, twenty-seven hundred dollars having been subscribed. Of this amount, seven hundred dollars is given with the condition that the whole sum be secured. It is earnestly hoped that the liberality of the other parishes in the Diocese will free this one from its burden.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LANESBOROUGH.

[No Report.]

GRACE CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, *Rector*.

JAMES PAYNE and JAMES H. KIDDER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 38; adults, 9; total, 47. Confirmed, 26. Communicants: Admitted, 26; received, 9; total added, 35; died, 4; removed, 11; total lost, 15; present number, 340. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 22. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 34; scholars, 300. Sewing school: teachers, 4; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$18,000; sittings, 600. Chapel: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$25,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$303.60. All current expenses, including rector's salary: pew-rents, \$3,118.00; subscriptions, \$1,122; total, \$4,240.60. Sunday school, \$237.65. Choir festival, \$18.75. Easter expenses, \$38.10. Increase and improvement of church-property: For chapel, \$277.97. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,106.76.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$120.75. Convention Fund, \$24. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$48.06. Christian or theological education, \$40.79. American Bible Society, \$17.42. Total for objects without the parish, \$251.02.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$68.40. Domestic missions, \$129.04. Foreign missions, \$146.40. Total for missionary contributions, \$343.84.

Total of contributions, \$5,701.62.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. WILLIAM GOODHUE WELLS, *Rector*.

N. P. H. MELVIN and JAMES WALTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 37; adults, 5; total, 42. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 26; total added, 40; died, 1; removed, 11; total lost, 12; present number, 180. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 24. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 225.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$103.79. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$758.03; pew-rents, \$1,180; other sources, \$592.87; total, \$2,530.90. Sunday school, \$179.36. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,814.85.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$42. Convention Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$57.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic missions: Church mission to deaf-mutes, \$12; Church of St. Chrysostom, Delafield, Wis., \$30; total, \$42. Total for missionary contributions, \$92.

Total of contributions, \$2,963.05.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, LEE.

[*No Report.*]

TRINITY CHURCH, LENOX.

The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, *Rector.*

CHARLES KNEELAND and EDMUND SPENCER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adult, 1; total, 5. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 1; total added, 5; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 46. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 25.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$279.31. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$2,000. Sunday school, \$20. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,299.31.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$77.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$67. Domestic missions: In Minnesota, \$95; for hospital at White Earth, Minn., \$425; total, \$520. Foreign missions: Lydia Fay memorial, \$15. Total for missionary contributions, \$602.

Total of contributions, \$2,978.81.

REMARKS.

A box of clothing has been sent for colored children under the care of Mrs. Payne, in Petersburg, Va., valued at two hundred and fifty dollars, and one to the Rev. George S. St. Clair in Faribault, Minn., valued at fifty dollars.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LONGWOOD.

The Rev. REGINALD HEBER HOWE, *Rector.*

S. L. BUSH and S. H. GREGORY, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adult, 1; total, 8. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 10; total added, 18; died, 2; removed, 5; total lost, 7; present number, 140. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 85. Church: Value, \$50,000; sittings, 350. Chapel: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$54,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$218.97. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$290.08; pew-rents, \$2,714.72; subscriptions, \$1,455; investments, \$74; total, \$4,533.80. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$1,915.96. Christmas

expenses, \$77.34. Charities through Aid Society, \$54.62. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,800.69.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$47.24. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$45.54. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$85.27. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$63.32. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$223.65. Society for Increase of Ministry, \$51.74. Total for objects without the parish, \$516.76.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$173.76. Domestic missions in general, \$175.32; mite-chests, \$146.49; Indian missions, \$60; total, \$381.81. Foreign missions in general, \$162.05; Jews, \$9.36; Lydia M. Fay scholarship, \$50.90; Mexico, \$100; total, \$322.31. Total for missionary contributions, \$877.88.

Total of contributions, \$8,195.33.

REMARKS.

The event of the year has been the erection of a parish building, costing about \$4,000, and affording a place for the sessions of the Sunday school, meetings of the Aid Society, a rector's study, &c. It is part of a larger plan comprising a rectory connected by cloisters with the parish room, and it, in turn, with the church.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D.D., *Rector*.

The Rev. ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON, S.T.B., *Assistant*.

DR. JOHN ORNE GREEN and JOHN M. PEVEY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 53; adults, 7; total, 60. Confirmed, 22. Communicants: Admitted, 19; received, 3; total added, 22; died, 11; removed, 3; total lost, 14; present number, 451. Marriages, 33. Funerals, 46. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 26; scholars, 189. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 616. Chapel: Value, \$15,000; sittings, 200. School building: Value, \$8,000. Parsonage: Value, \$13,300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$88,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$220.46. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$3,528.59; subscriptions, \$1,000; total, \$4,528.59. Sunday-school library and other purposes, \$104.90. Rector's library, \$34.25. Home-work in St. Anne's, \$57.92. Sick Fund, Girls' Friendly Society, \$29. Sick Fund, Workingmen's Club, \$20. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,995.12.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$91.67. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$20.22. Clergymen's Mutual Insurance League, \$15.26. New-York Bible and Prayer-Book Society, \$46.81. St. Mary's Orphanage, \$109.79. Church at Lewiston, Me., \$21.49. Society for Increase of Ministry (including scholarship), \$218.62. Nashotah, \$14.51. Church mission for deaf-mutes, \$18.68. House of Prayer, Lowell, \$36.62. Society for Promotion of Christianity among the Jews, \$19.12. Chelmsford, \$14.38. Total for objects without the parish, \$627.17.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$129.51. Domestic missions in general, \$133.81; Indian department, \$17.66; Freedmen, \$27.16; total, \$235.25. Foreign missions, \$73.80. Total for missionary contributions, \$438.56.

Total of contributions, \$6,060.85.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER, *Rector*.HENRY P. WEBBER and SAMUEL J. GIBBY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adult, 1; total, 20. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 13; total added, 25; died, 1; removed, 9; total lost, 10; present number, 235. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 26; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms (not otherwise reported), \$39.27. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$315.77; pew-rents (three-fourths of year), \$1,205.67; donations from St. John's Improvement Society, \$17; Easter offering for church-debt and for rector, \$240.03; total, \$1,778.47. For Sunday school, \$95.73. Increase and improvement of church-property (from the Sunday school), \$200.73. For the choir, \$43. Easter flowers, \$15. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,172.20.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$14. Christian or theological education, \$14.31. Total for objects without the parish, \$63.31.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$53; Eastern Convocation, \$15; total, \$68. Total for missionary contributions, \$68.

Total of contributions, \$2,303.51.

REMARKS.

The faithful regular contributions of the Sunday school, continued through several years (all of which have been duly reported), have resulted in a very great improvement in the exterior surroundings of the church; a seemly fence and walk being now nearly completed around the entire extended street-fronts of the grounds at an expense of over five hundred dollars. So do little acts of faithfulness and small contributions, when taken in the aggregate, accomplish great things.

HOUSE OF PRAYER, LOWELL.

The Rev. JEREMIAH JEWETT CRESSEY, *Minister*.WALTER COBURN, Sen., and JAMES DRIVER, Jun., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 3; total added, 5; removed, 3; present number, 37. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, \$560. Sunday school, \$1.64. Total for objects within the parish, \$561.64.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Christian or theological education, \$10.

Total of contributions, \$571.64.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, LYNN,The Rev. LOUIS DECORMIS, *Rector.*WILLIAM F. JOHNSON and THOMAS B. KNIGHT, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 3; total, 22. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 7; total added, 17; died, 2; removed, 4; total lost, 6; present number, about 340. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, about 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$3,163.40. Special, \$4,500. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,663.40.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$67.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$34.40. Domestic missions: Box, valued at \$80; Mrs. Payne, Petersburg, Va., \$10; total, \$90. Foreign missions, \$11.22. Total for missionary contributions, \$135.02.

Total of contributions, \$7,866.52.

REMARKS.

It is with the feeling of deepest gratitude to our heavenly Father that we mention here the noble design of building a new church for St. Stephen's Parish, conceived in princely proportions, and undertaken with rare enthusiasm, by that great-hearted churchman, the Hon. E. R. Mudge. An appreciative parish follows the work with great interest, and trusts that its dear friend Mr. Mudge may enjoy here and hereafter the blessed consciousness of having served God well in his day and generation.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MALDEN.The Rev. GEORGE PUTNAM HUNTINGTON, *Rector.*GEORGE WASHINGTON NEAL and JAMES HAMNETT, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 22; adults, 6; total, 28. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 35; received, 4; total added, 39; died, 4; removed, 24; total lost, 28; present number, 202. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 19. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 128. Church: Value, \$13,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$13,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$75.11. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,648.87. Sunday school, \$84.81. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$8.14. Contribution for Bibles for the church, \$22.40. Clothing for poor, \$18.20. Christmas and Easter festivals, \$67.41. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,924.94.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$21. Convention Fund, 11. Interest on parish note, \$21. Sick in Memphis, \$10.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$63.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Conversion of the Jews, \$12.41. Foreign missions (Bishop Penick), \$20. General missions of the church, \$46.51. Total for missionary contributions, \$128.92.

Total of contributions, \$2,117.30.

REMARKS.

Contributions to the Woman's Auxillary, including a box sent through the Dakota League, eight dollars and seventy-five cents. About seventy-five dollars have been added to a building fund by the Ladies' Parish Aid Society and from a concert given by a lady in the parish.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, MARBLEHEAD.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HAREIS, *Minister*.

EZEKIEL RUSSELL and WILLIAM D. T. TREFFRY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Present number, 100. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 80. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Value, \$400; sittings, 50. Parsonage: Value, \$6,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$76.78. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,673.47. Sunday school, \$101.14. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$117. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,891.61.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$30. Convention Fund, \$8. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$7.57. For St. George's Church, Lee, \$28. For St. Mark's Church, South Adams, from the Sunday school, \$6. Total for objects without the parish, \$79.57.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25. Domestic missions, \$33.50; box for Dakota League, from Ladies' Society, \$26.30; total, \$59.80. Foreign missions, \$33.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$118.30.

Total of contributions, \$2,089.48.

REMARKS.

In addition to the above items, the parish received a very kind contribution of one hundred dollars from Col. John Devereaux of Cleveland, O., to be applied to the enlargement and improvement of the chapel,—a work which it is hoped may soon be undertaken.

On the 6th of February the parish celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of the re-opening of the church after having been closed by order of the General Court at the outbreak of the revolutionary war. An old record says,—

"1780, Feb. 6. This day the church was opened by the proprietors, and Mr. Abraham read prayers and a sermon, which was generally liked by all."

Mr. Woodward Abraham continued his services as lay reader for six years, until a minister was secured. And to his faithfulness, no doubt, under God's blessing, the continuance of this venerable parish is largely owing.

The Bishop of the Diocese was present at the anniversary services, and very kindly delivered the address.

GRACE CHURCH, MEDFORD.

The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS, *Rector*.

JOHN P. FOLGER and FREDERICK C. WILLIAMS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 2; total, 6. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Admitted, 15; received, 3; total added, 18; died, 3; removed, 4; total

lost, 7; present number, 151. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 60.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$138. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$671.87; subscriptions, \$2,144; investments, \$600; other sources, \$12; total, \$3,437.57. Sunday-school offerings, \$67. Sunday-school building, \$190. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,822.87.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Various missions, including work done by the Ladies' Missionary Society, \$250.

Total of contributions, \$4,072.87.

TRINITY CHURCH, MELROSE.

WILLIAM L. WILLIAMS and ROYAL P. BARRY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 3; total, 9. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 10; total added, 16; removed, 36; present number, 102. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 60. Church: Value, \$4,500; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$709.28; subscriptions, \$143.07; total, \$852.35. Sunday school, \$6.70. Christmas festival, \$35. Total for objects within the parish, \$894.05.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$8.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$13.07. Domestic missions: Dakota League, \$16. Total for missionary contributions, \$29.07.

Total of contributions, \$931.12.

REMARKS.

The rectorship of the Rev. Henry Aiken Metcalf terminated at Easter, after a duration of nearly five years, and the parish is destitute for the first time in eleven years. It is still a free church, and during the past year has happily not been obliged to resort to fairs, shows, or any unchurchly performances to pay its debts.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, METHUEN.

The Rev. BELNO ADDISON BROWN, B.D., *Rector*.

EDWARD R. DAVIS and WILLIAM BERINGTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 25; adults, 8; total, 33. Confirmed, 29. Communicants: Present number, 185. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 155.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$2,253.75.

TRINITY CHURCH, MILFORD.

The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, *Minister-in-Charge.*

CHARLES DOVE and GEORGE G. PARKER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 3; total, 6. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 14; died, 1; present number, 105. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 80. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 252. Organ, \$1,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$33.62. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$100.17; pew-rents, \$458.36; subscriptions, \$74.47; Ladies' Society and choir towards reducing debt and interest, \$476.98; total, \$1,109.98. Sunday school, \$18.97. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,162.57.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$21. Milford Bible Society, \$3.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$24.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$7.95.

Total of contributions, \$1,195.02.

REMARKS.

The parish has reduced its indebtedness during the year about three hundred and fifty dollars through the aid of the Ladies' Society; namely, in paying interest on notes, and some principal, and two hundred dollars in the deficiency of last year's current expenses. We have had preaching by various clergymen during the year up to the 1st of October. Since then, the Rev. Andrew Gray has officiated, and taken charge of the parish, and we have already seen the fruits of his labors by the confirmations and increased attendance on his ministry, and general good-feeling, hoping that we may be able to retain his services. He seems to be the right man for this parish, providing we can secure the requisite financial parts sufficient to meet his needs.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, MILLVILLE.

The Rev. JESSE ELLIOT HEALD, *Rector.*

HENRY S. MANSFIELD and WILLIAM A. COLE, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 9. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 1; total added, 3; died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4; present number, 70. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 41. Church: Value, \$5,500; sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$37.35. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$25; pew-rents, \$441.47; subscriptions, \$10; total, \$476.47. Sunday school, \$73.80. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$108.80. For payment of church-debts, \$241.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$937.42.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$11.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.

Total of contributions, \$963.42.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NANTUCKET.

The Rev. LEVI BOYER, *Rector*.ARTEMUS DAVIS and CHARLES H. STARBUCK, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptism: Adult, 1. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 2; total added, 3; present number, 36. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$1,650; sittings, 230. Parsonage: Value, \$800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,450.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$44.44. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$214.20; donations, \$250; other sources, \$38; total, \$502.20. Sunday-school penny collections, \$9.25. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$66.88. Total for objects within the parish, \$622.77.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$1.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25.

Total of contributions, \$648.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NATICK.

The Rev. B. R. GIFFORD, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adult, 1; total, 13. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Received, 5; removed, 2; present number, 50, including those in neighboring districts. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 35. Church: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$400. Sunday school, \$10. Total for objects within the parish, \$410.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic missions, \$10.

Total of contributions, \$420.

REMARKS.

The services have continued to be held regularly on Sunday afternoons in Wellesley Village, and they have been attended by more or less people of the place and by some of the young ladies of Wellesley College, who have seemed to greatly appreciate the opportunity of attending them. On communion Sundays they have usually come to Natick to receive the sacrament. As the rector will terminate his fifth year in connection with St. Paul's Parish the last Sunday of May, he has decided to leave it, and in doing so he is glad to be able to say that there is an entire freedom from all indebtedness, and that the parish and congregation, though as yet comparatively weak in number and pecuniary ability, are entirely united; and the way seems to be open for an increased prosperity and enlarged influence in the time to come.

GRACE CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.

The Rev. GEORGE A. STRONG, *Rector*.SAMUEL LEONARD, Jun., and C. B. H. FESSENDEN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 2; total, 15. Confirmed, 6. Communion: Present number, 150. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 12. Sunday school:

Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 124. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 100. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$212.49. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$533.84; collections in church, \$321.43; pew-rents, \$2,341; donations, \$125; other sources, \$93.91; total, \$3,415.18. Sunday-school library, \$62. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$400. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,089.67.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.21.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100.78. Domestic missions, \$22.49. Foreign missions, \$62.46. Total for missionary contributions, \$185.73.

Total of contributions, \$4,327.61.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.

The Rev. CHARLES HAYDEN PROCTOR, *Rector*.

ANDREW BANNISTER and GEORGE SPENCER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 28; adults, 2; total, 30. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Present number, 70. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 125. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$119.70. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$4,706.26. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$309. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,134.96.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.

Total of contributions, \$5,144.96.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEWBURYPORT.

The Rev. EDWARD LIVINGSTON DROWN, *Rector*.

NATHANIEL FOSTER and DAVID WOOD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 2; total, 8. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Present number, about 300. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 133. Mission school: Teachers, 10; scholars, 60. Chapel: Value, \$12,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish: Investments, \$20,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, including investments for the poor, \$252.08. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$2,587. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$500. Through chancel committee, \$23.10. Through committee on decorations, \$20.51. For vestments, \$27. Through district visiting committee, \$40. Through Sunday school, \$102.03. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,552.32.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$36. Howard Benevolent Society, \$28. Miscellaneous, \$100. Total for objects without the parish, \$164.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Episcopal City Mission, Newburyport, \$112.74. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$41.29. Domestic missions in general, by Cheerful Workers, \$101.53; Dakota League, \$100; total, \$201.53. Foreign missions, \$61.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$416.81.

Total of contributions, \$4,133.13.

GRACE CHURCH, NEWTON.

The Rev. GEORGE WOLFE SHINN, *Rector*.

E. F. WATERS and A. B. UNDERWOOD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 2; total, 10. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Present number, about 240. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 120. Church: Cost, \$99,218.01; sittings, 700.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$250. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$6,947.40. Sunday school, \$62.02. Other parochial objects, \$105. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,364.42.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$28. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$5. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$5. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$5. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$5. Christian or theological education, \$125.62. Total for objects without the parish, \$226.12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$62. For other missionary purposes, including value of boxes of goods, \$278.75. Total for missionary contributions, \$350.75.

Total of contributions, \$7,941.29.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WEST NEWTON AND AUBURN-DALE.

The Rev. GEORGE WOLFE SHINN, *Minister-in-Charge*.

Mr. C. W. K. MORRILL, *Lay-Reader*.

CHARLES EDWARD PARKER and F. G. L. HENDERSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 5; total, 8. Confirmed, 3. Communicants, 30. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 25.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, \$520. Sunday school, \$10. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$1,200. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,730.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$5.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.15. Other purposes, \$10.61. Total for missionary contributions, \$20.76.

Total of contributions, \$1,755.76.

REMARKS.

Upon the resignation of the Rev. Thomas Cole, the Rev. G. W. Shinn, rector of Grace Church, Newton, took charge of this parish (November, 1879), with the assistance of a lay-reader, Mr. Morrill.

Services are held on Sunday afternoons, in the hall of Lasell Seminary, Auburndale, and occasionally on week-night evenings, in the houses of parishioners. The congregations on Sunday number usually nearly ninety persons. A lot 92½ by 117½ feet has been bought and paid for. Stones for the cellar-walls of a building have been given; and a large quantity of freestone for the future church has been bought. The cost of the freestone will be about ten hundred and fifty dollars, which amount has been subscribed, and will soon be paid. The affairs of the parish are very encouraging.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, NEWTON LOWER FALLS.

The Rev. HENRY MACKAY, *Rector*.

ISAAC HAGAR and RUFUS MOULTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adult, 1; total, 16. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Added, 11; died, 2; removed, 8; total lost, 10; present number, 158. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 72. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses including rector's salary, \$2,088.61. Sunday school, \$69.28. Other parochial objects, \$217.19. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,375.08.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$15. For other objects without the parish, \$100. Total for objects without the parish, \$167.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19.50. Domestic missions, \$35. Foreign missions, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$64.50.

Total of contributions, \$2,607.08.

REMARKS.

When an old, once vigorous parish, with a reducing population, puts on new strength, as this parish has done during the last eighteen months, too much cannot be said in praise of those engaged. I therefore desire to put this on the records of the Diocese, both as a tribute to, and my appreciation of, the parish. The wardens and vestry have nobly seconded the efforts of Mr. Frederic Rice, who has charge of the music, and whose labors have been untiring, expensive to him, and successful.

The parish is united and harmonious, as much so, we think, as it is possible for such a body to be; for even *good saints* sometimes differ. If the parish grows old in years, it grows no immovable debts. It pays its rector promptly, and with great satisfaction. His salary is always ready for him. The parish, though not by any means rich, does not resort to modern shows with which to raise money to pay the parish expenses.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH ADAMS.

[*No Report.*]

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTHAMPTON.

The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, *Rector*.

WILLIAM C. ROBINSON and D. W. CRAFTS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Present number, 90. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 60. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$42.31. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,250.59. Bequest, \$500. Sunday school, \$18. Sunday-school library, \$34. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,844.90.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic missions: By the Sunday school, \$8.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$18.50.

Total of contributions, \$1,863.40.

REMARKS.

From contributions from funds without the parish and within, together with the proceeds of sale of old bell, the church has now a peal of three bells, valued at five hundred dollars.

GRACE CHURCH, NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH.

[*Vacant.*]

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 3; total, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 6; total added, 7; present number, 48. Marriages, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$11,000; sittings, 254. Parsonage: Value, \$2,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$17,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses: Offerings at the offertory and collections in church, \$191.39; pew-rents, \$836.18; subscriptions, \$16.70; other sources, \$451.49. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,495.76.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$42.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$16.04.

Total of contributions, \$1,553.80.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, OTIS.

[*No Report.*]

GRACE CHURCH, OXFORD.

[*No Report.*]

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, PEABODY.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary.*

EDGAR W. UPTON, *Church-Warden.*

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adult, 1; total, 15. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 6; total added, 12; died, 1; removed, 4; total lost, 5; present number, 50. Marriages, 2. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$1,500; sittings, 180. Lot of land, \$2,020. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,520.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$456.94; donations, \$52.55; total, \$509.49. Towards payment of debt on the church-lot, and interest, by St. Paul's Missionary Society, \$245.94. Total for objects within the parish, \$755.43.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5. Domestic missions in general: Sunday-school offering, \$4; box for Indians, \$20; total, \$24. Foreign missions: To Lydia M. Fay memorial, \$9. Total for missionary contributions, \$38.

Total of contributions, \$793.43.

REMARKS.

The debt upon our church-lot has been considerably reduced during the past year. The congregations have never been so good as now. By our own exertions, and a little assistance from friends outside the mission, we hope (D.V.) to be out of debt by next meeting of Convention.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, PITTSFIELD.

The Rev. WILLIAM MCGLATHERY, *Rector*.

WILLIAM E. VERMILYE, M.D., and FRANK E. KERNOCHAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 2; total, 6. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Present number, 200. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 14. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 450.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$185.12. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$3,252.22. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,437.34.

CHRIST CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

The Rev. JAMES AUGUSTUS SANDERSON, *Missionary*.

Baptisms: Infant, 1; adult, 1; total, 2. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 5; total added, 8; died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2; present number, 36. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 175.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offering at the offertory, \$228.02; donations, \$360; other sources, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$688.02.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.56. Domestic missions: For Indians, through Woman's Auxiliary, 2 boxes, \$21; Good Friday, for Jews, \$2.50; total, \$23.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$35.06.

Total of contributions, \$723.08.

REMARKS.

The church-work in this mission has been going on successfully the past year; but the missionary-in-charge is aware that it will take time and much labor and much patience to bring every thing up to that point from which substantial and lasting results can be realized.

Services have been held at Duxbury during the summer and fall months. Mr. T. E. Cornish of Philadelphia, a former resident of Plymouth, who passes the summer here, has presented three chancel windows of stained glass, the centre one a memorial to his mother, which are to be put in by the first of June. He has also obtained from friends in Philadelphia a new carpet for the chancel, and has taken, with other summer visitors, much interest in the missionary work here. We need a carpet for the church and a baptismal font.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUINCY.

The Rev. THADDEUS A. SNIVELY, *Rector*.

SAMUEL G. WYMAN and PETER BUTLER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 2; total, 21. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Added, 17; lost, 25; present number, 182. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 120. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Charity within parish, \$45. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,817.77. Sunday school, \$50.30. Christmas and Easter expenses, \$90.15. Parochial missions, \$10. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$105. Ladies' Society and charitable work, \$65. Pledge Fund, towards reducing church-debt, \$990.94. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,144.16.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$45.50. Convention Fund (one year in advance), \$26. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$11.50. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$11. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, Ladies' Society, box, \$20. Christian or theological education, \$33.60. Other gifts, through rector, \$35. Total for objects without the parish, \$182.65.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$48. Domestic missions in general: Offertory, \$10.75; mite-chests, \$43.01; Sunday-school mite-chests, \$17.13; colored people, \$61.91; Massachusetts Auxiliary, special work, \$35; Indians (Sunday-school scholarship, \$60; offertory, \$10; Ladies' Society, box, \$56), \$126; Jewish missions, \$14.00; total, \$307.86. Foreign missions in general, \$43.75; offertory, \$10.40; Brackett, China scholarship, \$50; Mexico, \$29; scholarship, \$40; total, \$173.15. Total for missionary contributions, \$529.01.

Total of contributions, \$3,855.82.

REMARKS.

Worship services in the west district (quarries), begun last Lent, were continued this year. Last summer, services were again begun at Hingham. The people have hired a small hall, of which they have the exclusive use on Sundays. During the summer, services were held every Sunday, and, during winter, twice a month.

Mr. Bennitt of Dorchester and Mr. Snively of Quincy each hold a service once a month, the other services being taken by disengaged clergy and lay people find to supply them.

Improvement throughout is the work of the people themselves, who are encouraged, and with good reason too.

As is mentioned here, because it is under the direct pastoral care of the rector of this parish.

CHRIST CHURCH, RICHDALE.

The Rev. THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON, *Minister-in-Charge*.

THOMAS TRASK and — HARTWELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Present number, 64. Sunday school: Teachers and scholars, 120.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Increase and improvement of church-property, \$105.

REMARKS.

Christ Church, Rochdale, being without a rector, was closed the first Sunday in October, 1879, and remained closed until the second Sunday in February, 1880. Since that time, I have officiated as the minister-in-charge, and at the annual meeting of the parish on Easter Monday, 1880, was chosen minister-in-charge for one year.

I found the congregation scattered, and the parish somewhat disorganized, but am pleased to say that the good old church is by no means dead, and that we find much to encourage us. Evidently the people have a mind to work. We have re-opened the Sunday school, and have from forty to fifty present. The parish, since my coming, have raised some two hundred dollars for the purpose of repairing the church, and both minister and people feel assured, that, with God's blessing upon faithful and united effort, we shall be able to present a good report in the future. I hope to take up my residence in Rochdale in May, and devote my whole time and attention to the work.

THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON,

Minister-in-Charge.

CAMBRIDGE, April 26, 1880.

GRACE CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, *Rector.*

BENJAMIN SHREVE and DANIEL B. HAGAR, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 18; adults, 2; total 20. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; died, 3; removed, 2; total lost, 5; present number, 120. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$216.92. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$3,200. Sunday school, \$18.75. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,435.67.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$15. Salem Relief Committee, \$40. Christmas Festival, \$94. Easter offering, various objects, \$268. Total for objects without the parish, \$471.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$60. Domestic missions: Money and articles, \$168. Foreign missions, \$68. Total for missionary contributions, \$296.

Total of contributions, \$4,203.17.

REMARKS.

The number of communicants shows a decrease on the previous year. There has in fact been no falling-off, as the other tables will show; but in the new numbering I have endeavored to conform strictly to facts, and can make no better showing. Should those be counted communicants who have been confirmed, and yet *do not* come to the Holy Communion?

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D.D., *Rector.*

CHARLES H. BATES and JOHN P. PEABODY, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 12; total, 25. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Died, 5; present number, 291. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 15. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 27; scholars, 160.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion and for the poor, \$399.45. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$3,599.16. Subscriptions, \$465; total, \$4,064.16. Sunday school, \$118. Christmas festival of Sunday school, \$92.41. Rectory Fund, \$137.52. Choir Fund, \$400. Lectures on the English Reformation, \$75. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,286.54.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$70. Convention Fund, \$20. Memphis sufferers, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$115.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$105.07. St. Paul's mission, Peabody, by Sunday school, \$31.29. Mission of deaf-mutes, \$15. Total, \$151.30. Domestic missions in general, \$79.25; by Sunday school, \$7.84; theological school at Faribault, \$115.56; Indian missions, by Sunday school, \$24.18; Mexican missions, \$42.87; freedmen's missions, \$42.87; box for freedmen's missions, \$20; Cubans at Key West, \$5; "Sister Eliza" at Denver, \$20; Indian missions, \$33; box for Poncas, \$52.50; total, \$443.07. Foreign missions in general, \$65; L. M. Fay scholarship, China, \$8; total, \$73. Total for missionary contributions, \$667.43.

Total of contributions, \$6,068.97.

CHRIST CHURCH, SHEFFIELD.

The Rev. S. P. PARKER, D.D., *Rector*.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Communicants: Added, 3; lost, 3; present number, 38. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 20. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, exclusive of special offering, \$12.41. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$77.22; subscriptions, \$100; donations, \$72.50; pledges, \$180; total, \$429.72. Christmas-tree, \$14.50. Music, \$6. Total for objects within the parish, \$462.63.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$2.50. Church at Westfield, \$10. St. George's Church, Lee, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$37.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$82.40. Western District Association, \$10. Total, \$92.40. Domestic missions, \$5; box of clothing for Mrs. Buford's mission, \$85; total, \$90. Foreign missions, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$187.40.

Total of contributions, \$687.53.

REMARKS.

The year has been marked by the removal from town of some of our most regular attendants, and by the absence of some of our chief families, owing to sickness and other causes. But, *per contra*, it has been a year of gain in the growing attendance of those who hitherto neglected public worship.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP, *Rector*.REUBEN P. BENTON and SAMUEL REYNOLDS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 2; total, 15. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 8; total added, 15; died, 2; removed, 10; total lost, 12; present number, 94. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$396.17; subscriptions, \$1,028.15; donations, \$100; total, \$1,524.32. Sunday school, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,624.32.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11. Domestic missions, one box clothing, Dakota League.

Total of contributions, \$1,645.32.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, EAST SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DURELL, *Rector*.ALEXANDER WOOD and DOUGLAS FRAZAR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 33; adult, 1; total, 34. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 6; total added, 17; died, 6; removed, 10; total lost, 16; present number, 179. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 27. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 184.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$782; other sources, \$500; total, \$1,282. Other parochial objects, \$75. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,359.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$21. Convention Fund, \$6. Total for objects without the parish, \$27.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25.

Total of contributions, \$1,411.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTH ADAMS.

The Rev. A. B. JENNINGS, *Officiating Clergyman*.JOHN S. ADAMS and JAMES OSBORNE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adult, 1; total, 8. Communicants: Present number, 50. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 48.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,400. For new church, \$14,900. Total for objects within the parish, \$16,300.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTHBOROUGH.

The Rev. J. I. T. COOLIDGE, D.D., *Rector.*JOSEPH BURNETT and L. W. NEWTON, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 4; total, 9. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 2; died, 1; removed, 9; total lost, 10; present number, 33. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 22. Church: Value, \$15,000; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms-chest, \$23.25. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,000. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,023.25.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$54.37. Domestic: Sunday school, Indian scholarship, \$42.90. Missions in general, \$79.37. Total for missionary contributions, \$176.64.

Total of contributions, \$1,214.89.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, SOUTH GROVELAND.

The Rev. WILLIAM LLOYD HIMES, *Rector.*BENJAMIN ROBERT DOWNES, *Lay-Reader.*CHARLES ALBERT SHAW and WILLIAM H. PARKER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 16. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Admitted, 5; died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4; present number, 56. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 20. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 94. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$17. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory in church, \$74; offerings at the offertory in Sunday school, \$65.48; pew-rents, \$617.38; subscriptions, \$500; total, \$1,256.86. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,273.86.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$5.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$7. Foreign missions in general, \$3; Mexico, \$10; total, \$13. Total for missionary contributions, \$20.

Total of contributions, \$1,293.86.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, SOUTH LINCOLN.

The Rev. PETER H. STEENSTRA, *Minister.*GEORGE H. SMITH and GEORGE G. CHENEY, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptism: Infant, 1. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Died, 1; present number, 38. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses: Collections in church, \$305.40; subscriptions, \$109.93; donations, \$177.50; other sources, \$10.15; total, \$602.98. Sunday school, \$27. Other parochial objects, \$25. Total for objects within the parish, \$654.98.

REMARKS.

Services have been regularly held in this parish for the past year, and have been well attended. This parish was started as a free church, and all expenses of the same have been maintained free of debt thus far. We are few in numbers, but strong in faith, and we have great reason for thankfulness to Almighty God for his blessing upon us. And we are under especial obligations to the Rev. P. H. Steenstra, minister-in-charge, for the kindly interest he has taken in us.

GEO. H. SMITH,
GEO. G. CHENEY,
Wardens.

CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD.

The Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, *Rector.*

JOHN B. STEBBINS and JAMES D. BREWER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 22; adult, 1; total, 23. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 10; total added, 20; died, 6; removed, 2; total lost, 8; present number, 514. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 18. Sunday schools, 2; officers and teachers, 36; scholars, 250. Sewing school: Teachers, 8; scholars, 50. Church (old and new): Value, \$85,000; sittings, 900. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$89,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$418.33. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,880.18; pew-rents, \$5,036.93; subscriptions, \$925; total, \$7,842.11. Sunday school, \$149.57. For sewing school, \$10. For fund for new chapel, \$225. For Easter flowers, \$40. For charitable objects, through Church Guild, \$75. Total for objects within the parish, \$8,760.01.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$105. Convention Fund, \$20. Christian or theological education, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$135.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100. Domestic missions: Indian missions (Sunday-school scholarship, \$60; 1 missionary box, \$56.39), \$116.39; for a diocesan missionary, 1 box, \$50; for mission to deaf-mutes, \$8.80; total, \$175.19. Foreign missions: Sunday-school scholarship in China, \$50; for St. John's College, Shanghai, \$10; for missionary in Hayti, 1 box, \$45; total, \$105. Total for missionary contributions, \$380.19.

Total of contributions, \$9,275.20.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, STOCKBRIDGE.

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, *Rector.*

DANIEL B. FENN, Jun., and MASON VAN DEUSEN, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 10. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 2; total added, 6; died, 1; present number, 141. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 90. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion (after deducting \$176.20, specially appropriated), \$117.92. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$459.02; pew-rents, \$1,224; subscriptions, \$607.25; total, \$2,290.27. Parochial missions, \$350. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$25. Subscriptions for Christmas-tree, \$156. For the poor, \$64.47. Sundries, thank-offerings, &c., \$31.20. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,034.86.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund (collection for paying note, \$42.61; interest, \$27.13), \$70.74. Convention Fund, \$15. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$36.08. Total for objects without the parish, \$121.82.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$75.63. Aid to neighboring parish, \$24. Total, \$99.63. Domestic missions: Freedmen, \$64.48; Indian scholarships, \$120; Dakota League, \$120; scholarships in Utah, &c., \$130; domestic missions generally, \$22.28; total, \$456.77. Foreign missions, \$44.51. Total for missionary contributions, \$600.91.

Total of contributions, \$3,757.59.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Dr. S. P. Parker has continued to render valuable aid at South Lee during the past year.

Three missionary boxes, valued at \$143, have been sent to the West.

CHRIST CHURCH, SWANSEA.

The Rev. WILLIAM T. FITCH, *Officiating Clergyman*.

WILLIAM H. PEARSE and HENRY C. WOOD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Adults, 2. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Received, 1; present number, 15. Funeral, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, given to Sunday school and diocesan missions, \$6.57. All current expenses and repairs on church, \$375. Total for objects within the parish, \$381.57.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$3.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$18.43.

Total of contributions, \$403.

REMARKS.

From last Convention to November, service was held at Swansea every Sunday, at three P.M.; since that, during the winter months, there has been service every other Sunday, and, when five Sundays in the month, on the fifth. The congregation of females is good; but it is painful to see, in an old-settled town like Swansea, the indifference of the men to the means of grace which are there offered to them.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR, *Rector*.

HENRY NICKOLDS and JASON HAYWARD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 4; total added, 9; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present num-

ber, 75. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 90. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$29.80. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$973.86. Sunday school, \$85.30. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$80. Ladies' Easter fair, \$232.25. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,401.21.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$15. Convention Fund, \$9. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$34.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50.15. Domestic missions: Indians, \$14. Foreign missions: China, \$10; Africa, \$8; total, \$18. Total for missionary contributions, \$82.15.

Total of contributions, \$1,517.36.

REMARKS.

Besides a valuable box of garments and work sent to the Indians, the ladies of the parish have made above a hundred and seventy-five garments of various kinds, which were distributed among the poor and the sick, or sold for the benefit of the church.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEAROYD, *Rector*.

WILLIAM C. LOVERING and WILLIAM H. BENT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 3; total, 17. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 15; received, 8; total added, 23; died, 3; removed, 7; total lost, 10; present number, 310. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 31; scholars, 204.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$330.91. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$4,285.85. Sunday school, \$250. Parish library, \$27.71. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$1,011.25. A Memorial Fund, \$1,000. For robing-room, \$36.05. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,941.77.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$56. Convention Fund, \$25. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$50.55. Aid to missionaries, \$265.90. Aid to other parishes, \$350. Total for objects without the parish, \$747.45.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$268.50. Missions in general, \$650.42. Total for missionary contributions, \$918.92.

Total of contributions, \$8,608.14.

TRINITY CHURCH, VAN DEUSENVILLE.

The Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON, *Officiating Clergyman*.

GARRETT BURGET and PERRY G. COMSTOCK, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adult, 1; total, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 2; present number, 48. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 3.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$43.87; subscriptions, \$209; other sources, \$136; total, \$388.87. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$27.14. Insurance, \$63. Total for objects within the parish, \$479.01.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Theological education, \$23.32.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$40. Domestic missions; \$5.78. Total for missionary contributions, \$45.78.

Total of contributions, \$548.78.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, WAKEFIELD.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary-in-Charge.*

SAMUEL HODGKISS, *Lay-Reader.*

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adult, 1; total, 10. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 13; total added, 22; removed, 1; present number, 41. Marriage, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 33. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish (church furniture), \$200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$286.25. Subscriptions for Building Fund, \$1,000. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,286.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15. Domestic missions: Indian mission, box, \$14. Total for missionary contributions, \$29.

Total of contributions, \$1,315.25.

CHRIST CHURCH, WALTHAM.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, *Rector.*

RALPH W. KENYON, *Lay-Reader.*

MOSES E. OSGOOD and OTIS E. HUNT, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 26; adults, 3; total, 29. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 3; total added, 17; died, 3; removed, 6; total lost, 9; present number, 176. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 140; Bible class, 18. Church: Value, \$9,500; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$3,200; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$7,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$161.88. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,981.91. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$2,390.43. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,534.22.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$45. Convention Fund, \$13. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$83.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$55. Domestic missions in general, \$50; mission to Jews, \$11.25; total, \$61.25. Foreign missions in general, \$40; Mexico, \$7; total, \$47. Total for missionary contributions, \$163.25.

Total of contributions, \$4,780.47.

REMARKS.

Besides the amounts above mentioned, the Sunday school has contributed to general and diocesan missions \$25.88, and to the improvement of chapel and library, \$35. A communicant of the church has presented a beautiful lectern as a memorial to a deceased friend. The indebtedness on the rectory has now been reduced to two thousand dollars. At present, the parish are engaged in repairing and renovating our church, which is decidedly showing the effect of thirty years' wear. To the success of these efforts the ladies in their parochial circle have made valuable contributions.

The Lord has favored us with some tokens, we feel, of his spiritual presence, and our church will be felt more and more, we trust, as an instrument of good in this enterprising and growing community.

CHURCH OF THE RECONCILIATION, WEBSTER.

The Rev. LANGDON CHEVES STEWARDSON, *Rector*.

JAMES H. HOWE and JAMES FRANCIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Communicants: received, 7; died, 3; removed, 5; total lost, 8; present number, 77. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 102. Church: Value, \$12,000; sittings, 320.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$32.68. All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$2,392.67. Sunday school, \$77.95. Christmas-tree, \$108. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,611.30.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, interest on assessment, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$67.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$257.92.

Total of contributions, \$2,936.72.

REMARKS.

The present rector took charge of the parish in January last. He found the parish, although it had been without a settled minister for a period of nine months, in excellent condition, and is glad to say that the interest displayed by the members of the congregation in the church work and services promises well for the future.

CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT, WESTFIELD.

The Rev. HENRY JAMES SHERIDAN, *Missionary*.

PETER PROUT and GEORGE W. PRESCOTT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adult, 1; total, 4. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Received, 3; removed, 7; present number, 42. Marriage, 1. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 35. Church-lot: Value, \$700. Chapel: Value, \$200; sittings, 185. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$900.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including salary, \$345.65; donations (Diocesan Board for debt, \$100; other sources, for debt, \$293.93), \$393.93. Total for objects within the parish, \$739.58.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Christian or theological education, Nashotah, \$8.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$7.52.

Total of contributions, \$755.10.

REMARKS.

After many trials, the church has obtained a foothold in the town of Westfield. She is still weak; but there are many signs for encouragement. Mr. A. D. Jessup of Philadelphia has presented a lot of land in the centre of the town, on which we hope to erect a chapel soon, that we may leave our present place of worship,—an old planing-mill. The people in Westfield are poor, and what is done there must be done at the cost of much self-denial. Thus far they have done well, and God will surely bless their work with increase.

Since the 8th of February, I have held services in the Church of the Good Shepherd, West Springfield, Sunday afternoons. The contributions since the 8th of February amount to \$34.32. The Rev. B. T. H. Maycock of the Diocese of Kentucky resided in this town from the 14th of August, 1879, to Feb. 8, 1880, and officiated in the church. During that time he administered the Holy Communion fourteen times; held a hundred and four services. Contributions amounted to \$430.35. In this town there is a beautiful church and twenty-two communicants. The Sunday school is very small; but I hope it will do better in time.

TRINITY CHURCH, WEYMOUTH.

The Rev. JOHN A. JEROME, *Rector*.

EDWARD AVERY and WILLIAM S. WALLACE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infant, 1; adult, 1; total, 2. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 5; total added, 7; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number, 50. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 50. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church and communion alms (in part), \$157.16; subscriptions, \$748; donations, \$10; total, \$915.16. Sunday school (by Sunday school, \$14.15), \$32.65. Parochial missions, \$6.75. Increase and improvement of church-property, \$190.26. Distribution of "Parish Visitor," \$2.90. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,147.72.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$3.50. Convention Fund, \$8. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$2.75. Total for objects without the parish, \$14.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.50. Domestic missions: American Church Missionary Society, \$9.55. Foreign missions: For Mexico, \$19. Total for missionary contributions, \$34.05.

Total of contributions, \$1,196.02.

REMARKS.

The parish has suffered a net loss of twelve families by removal. Twenty-one of the hundred and thirty services of the year were held at East Braintree. The interior of the church has been greatly improved without our incurring in debt. The rector has held one service at Hingham.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILKINSONVILLE.

The Rev. JAMES SAMUEL ELLIS, *Rector*.HARVEY DODGE and DANIEL M. CHASE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptism: Adult, 1. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number, 54. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 62.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$26.91. All current expenses, including rector's salary: Collections in church, \$6; pew-rents, \$300; subscriptions, \$100; donations, \$100; other sources, \$10; total, \$516; Sunday school, \$16. Total for objects within the parish, \$558.91.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$55.25. Convention Fund, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$60.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$24. Domestic missions in general, \$5. Foreign missions, \$3; for the church in Mexico, \$4.15; total, \$7.15. Total for missionary contributions, \$36.15.

Total of contributions, \$655.31.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILLIAMSTOWN.

[*No Report.*]

TRINITY CHURCH, WOBURN.

The Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, *Rector*.JAMES FOLSOM and CHARLES WHITE DAVIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adult, 1; total, 15. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 4; total added, 13; died, 2; removed from town, 30; lapsed, 14; dropped, 15; total lost, 61; present number, 77. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 35. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$235.29; subscriptions, \$291.70; other sources, \$58.80. Total for objects within the parish, \$585.79.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$9.24.

Total of contributions, \$595.03.

REMARKS.

During the two years and about eight months that the present rector has been in charge, the names of a hundred and sixty-seven persons have been recorded as communicants, of whom twenty-eight never came, forty-two moved from town, fifteen lapsed, two died, and seventy-seven remain.

Last year we had a fair which yielded a net gain of two hundred dollars, and at services in outlying districts took up some forty or more dollars, all of which we have not been able to do the past year. Thirty-seven families, embracing some two hundred souls, have moved from this parish to other towns within the time the present rector has been in charge. It has been a very hard field, but is now united, though composed of people of little prop-

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PERSONAL REPORTS.

The Rev. O. Collard Adams respectfully reports, that since his resignation of the rectorship of St. Luke's, Lanesborough, he has officiated, at various times, throughout the county of Berkshire, and has, since Easter Monday, been minister-in-charge of St. George's, Lee.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

I hereby report, that, during the past Conventional Year, I have attended as usual to my work as Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Episcopal Theological School, and have served as missionary of the Church of the Ascension in East Cambridge, of which a Report will be found elsewhere.

ALEXANDER V. G. ALLEN.

CAMBRIDGE, April 28, 1880.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

I have performed the duties of assistant minister in Trinity Parish, assisting as usual in various services, both Sunday and week-days; preaching, on an average, once a Sunday at Trinity Chapel, or elsewhere, during the winter and spring months. Have taken charge of the Sunday school, and performed such other personal work as occasion offered.

FREDERICK B. ALLEN.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

I respectfully report that I have officiated, both in and out of the Diocese, on several occasions, but, on account of impaired health, have not been able to take full duty.

BENJ. W. ATWELL.

SPRINGFIELD, 1880.

To the Rt. Rev. Bishop Paddock, D.D. :

Rev. and Dear Sir, — In addition to several services at Rochdale, with the approval of the wardens and vestry of that parish, I have, since my resignation as rector of Christ Church, held services in Camden, Diocese of Maine, on two Sundays and on Christmas Day.

I am very respectfully and truly your obedient servant,

S. R. BAILEY.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

My professional work during the last Conventional Year consists of two marriages and a part of the morning service for one Sunday.

Respectfully,

WM. S. BARTLET.

CHELSEA, MASS., April, A.D. 1880.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Since my Annual Report of 1879, I have presented the cause of church-work in Mexico in twelve Dioceses on sixty-one occasions, of which seven were in the Diocese of Massachusetts. My other official duties have been seven sermons, and seventeen services (in whole or in part) in the Dioceses of Albany, Central New York, Delaware, New York, and Pennsylvania, and one burial in New York.

Added to the above have been my daily duties as General Secretary of the Mexican League, and for about four months as Treasurer of the same *pro tem*.

ABBOTT BROWN,
Secretary of the Mexican League.

NEW YORK, April 25, 1880.

Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D.D. :

My Dear Bishop, — During the last Ecclesiastical or Diocesan Year I have officiated and preached in Vermont one hundred and ten times, in Massachusetts twenty-four times, in the Diocese of Albany eleven times, and in Connecticut twice, — in all, one hundred and forty-five times. I have attended five funerals, baptized two persons, and officiated at one marriage. I have administered the Communion fifteen times.

Truly yours, &c.,

E. H. CANFIELD.

ARLINGTON, VT., 1880.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese :

I have been regularly and uninterruptedly engaged in the discharge of my duties as Chaplain of the City Institutions, South Boston, during the year now concluded.

Besides the performance of two services on Sunday, — one at the Lunatic Hospital, and one at the House of Correction, — I have baptized two infants, performed three marriages, and read the funeral-service over the remains of five persons, and have assisted at two other funerals. These acts are embodied in the records of St. Matthew's Church, South Boston.

Respectfully,

JOSEPH H. CLINCH.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. Father in God, — I beg leave to report, that for the last year, as for ten years before, I have been living at my house in Westborough, and have preached and administered the sacraments in this and other Dioceses as occasion offered, or as the kindness of my brethren of the clergy gave me opportunity.

I am, Rt. Rev. Father, faithfully yours,

H. W. FAY.

WESTBOROUGH, April 28, 1880.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts :

The undersigned most respectfully reports performance of the duties of the sacred ministry whenever his services have been requested.

The following special services are herewith reported: marriage, one; funeral, one; celebration of the Holy Communion, six times, and three times assisted in its ministrations, — all within the Diocese of Massachusetts.

F. A. FOXCROFT.

FESTIVAL OF ST. MARK, CAMBRIDGE, 1880.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rev. Father in God, — I beg to report, that, during the past Convention-
al Year, I have been residing in Oxford, Eng. I have been permitted to
minister in various ways in the church of the parish in which I reside, and
elsewhere.

Yours faithfully and obediently,

W. R. GARDNER

MISSION-HOUSE COWLEY ST. JOHN, OXFORD, April 12, 1890.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

The undersigned begs respectfully to report another year spent in the slow
and patient labor of regaining health and of building up exhausted nerves.
He has twice participated in the celebration of the Holy Communion, — in
St. John's, Boston Highlands, and in Trinity Memorial Chapel, Denver, Col.
These are his only official acts.

EDWIN WALTER GOULD.

MELBOURNE, AUS., Feb. 7, 1890.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D. :

My Dear Bishop, — Herewith I would make to you the Annual Report
required by the Canon as to my occupation and work during the closing year.

My position as Professor and Dean of the Episcopal Theological School
has embraced the duties of the school proper and those connected with St.
John's Memorial Chapel and the congregation worshipping therein.

As to the latter, I enclose such a statement of details as may be of value
to complete the statistics of the church in Massachusetts. As will be seen,
although the congregation is not organized, and does not possess the advan-
tages of the parochial system, yet it flourishes as to numbers, and is efficient
in good works. The chapel, also, continues to fulfil the aims contemplated
by its lamented donor, — of providing a free place of worship for Harvard
students, and also one where they may worship who have had no settled
spiritual home.

As to the Theological School and its work, there have been twenty-three
men in the classes. Of them, thirteen are candidates for orders in this
Diocese, concerning whom I am happy to report favorably. The building
erected by John A. Burnham, Esq., for a refectory, and bearing his name,
has been completed, and is now used. The deanery has been built during
the last year; and at present there is in progress the completion of the dor-
mitory by the ever generous friend of the school, Amos A. Lawrence, Esq.,
after whom the edifice is called. This will enable us to accommodate about
forty men, and it will at last finish the group of buildings projected at the
foundation of the school, thus rendering us fully equipped in this respect
for the work which has been given us to do, and for which we have such
peculiar opportunities. It remains with the ever-blessed Head of the Church
to approve and further the usefulness of this institution; and for this we
pray.

With thanks for your many manifestations of interest in our work, and
with sincere regard, I remain

Yours faithfully,

GEO. Z. GRAY.

Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have the honor to report, that, since the date of my last Annual Report,
I have officiated regularly in the Centurion Church at this post; have bap-
tized fourteen persons, married six couples, and officiated at three funerals.
I have also officiated several times at the Hampton Normal and Agricultural

Institute. Improvements have been made in the church edifice (Centurion Church), and handsome black walnut pews are now in process of construction, and we hope to have them in the church in a few weeks.

Your obedient servant,

OSGOOD E. HERRICK,

Post Chaplain, U. S. Army.

FORTRESS MONROE, VA., April 26, 1880.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

The illness of my wife caused my resignation of St. James's Church, Greenfield, on the 3d of November last. Three days after, I sailed for Bermuda, where I still remain. Since Christmas, I have assisted the brethren here as opportunity offered, preaching almost every Sunday in different parishes, and taking part in the Lent and other week-day services.

Faithfully yours,

SAM'L HOLLINGSWORTH.

HAMILTON, BERMUDA, April 15, 1880.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — During the Conventional Year ending with April 27, 1880, I have officiated, by preaching and other public ministrations, one hundred and fourteen times. I have also performed nine baptisms, five marriages, and nineteen burials.

I remain very truly your obedient servant in the Lord,

NICHOLAS HOPPIN, *Presbyter.*

CAMBRIDGE, April 28, 1880.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — I have continued during the past Convention Year without parochial or other settled ministerial charge. In May last, feeling that my health was so restored that I was able to resume work in the Church, I reported myself to you for duty; and I have since held myself ready to undertake any charge whatever to which the providence of God might call me. I have not felt that any thing beyond this was incumbent upon me, much less that I was called upon to become an applicant for employment to those to whom the Church should send her ministers in Christ's name.

In the mean time I have gladly undertaken any occasional ministerial duty for which I have from time to time been called upon. I accepted the temporary charge of Trinity Church, Newport, R.I., for ten weeks, in the absence of the rector. I have at various times, even for weeks together, assisted the rector of Grace Church, Lawrence, and, during the past Lent, the rectors of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston, and of St. Peter's, Cambridgeport. I took charge of the Boston City Mission for one month last summer, and I have rendered various other ministerial services elsewhere: in all, having read service one hundred and fifteen times, preached or lectured one hundred and fourteen times, administered the Holy Communion twenty-two times (of which *twice* were in private), officiated at seven funerals, baptized four infants, and solemnized one marriage.

To you as my bishop, to whom *alone* on earth I am, by the terms of my ordination vows, responsible in this matter, I once more renew the tender of my ministerial services, and am

Your obedient servant in Christ,

WM. CHAUNCY LANGDON.

CAMBRIDGE, April 27, 1880.

account of bad weather, I have been able to attend divine worship every Sunday during the past year, and have taken such part in the services of St. Mark's Church, in this city, as was kindly desired by the rector.

Very respectfully,

JOHN LEE WATSON

ORANGE, N.J., April 24, A.D. 1880.

To the Bishop of Massachusetts:

Up to Sept. 27 last, I was busily engaged in my usual round of duties and services, among them the care of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents. Since that date I have been abroad, — mostly in Egypt, Palestine, and the East, — and have performed few of the duties of my profession. God willing, I shall return to Boston about July 1, if not earlier, and be prepared (more and better every way, I trust) to resume work in your Diocese. I send you greeting, and the Diocese every good wish, from *this place*, under the very shadow of the Acropolis, and hard by Mars Hill, and but a few steps from the home of the venerated man, the Rev. Dr. Hill, who has done a half-century's noble work for Christ and education in Athens.

Most faithfully yours,

WM. C. WINSLOW

ATHENS, April 22, 1880.

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APPENDIX B.

CR. THE DIOCESE OF MASS., in account with CHARLES H. LEABOYD, *Treas.*

By Assessment of Grace Church, Amherst.....	\$10 00
" Christ Church, Andover	15 00
" Church of the Messiah, Auburndale.....	5 00
" St. Peter's Church, Beverly.....	10 00
" Church of the Advent, Boston.....	30 00
" Christ Church, Boston.....	15 00
" Emmanuel Church, Boston.....	50 00
" Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston.....	17 50
" Church of the Messiah, Boston.....	20 00
" St. Paul's Church, Boston.....	50 00
" Trinity Church, Boston.....	80 00
" St. Margaret's Church, Brighton.....	8 00
" St. John's Church, Charlestown.....	12 00
" All Saints' Church, Dorchester.....	10 00
" St. Mary's Church, Dorchester.....	12 00
" St. John's Church, East Boston.....	10 00
" St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain.....	25 00
" St. James's Church, Roxbury.....	30 00
" St. John's Church, Roxbury.....	15 00
" Trinity Church, Bridgewater.....	1 70
" St. Paul's Church, Brookline.....	31 00
" Christ Church, Cambridge.....	5 00
" St. James's Church, Cambridge.....	5 00
" Calvary Church, Danvers.....	4 00
" St. Paul's Church, Dedham.....	20 00
" Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham.....	8 00
" St. Philip's Church, Easthampton.....	4 50
" Grace Church, Fiskdale.....	8 00
" Christ Church, Fitchburg.....	18 00
" St. John's Church, Gloucester.....	3 00
" St. James's Church, Great Barrington.....	12 00
" St. James's Church, Greenfield.....	12 00
" St. Andrew's Church, Hanover.....	10 00
" Trinity Church, Haverhill.....	15 00
" St. Paul's Church, Holyoke.....	14 00
" Church of the Ascension, Ipswich.....	7 00
" Grace Church, Lawrence.....	24 00
" St. John's Church, Lawrence.....	15 00
" Church of Our Saviour, Longwood.....	20 00
" St. Anne's Church, Lowell.....	20 00
" St. John's Church, Lowell.....	14 00
Amount carried forward.....	

\$995 70

CR.

THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS, *in account*

<i>Amount brought forward.</i>		\$805 70
By Assessment of St. Stephen's Church, Lynn.....		15 00
" St. Paul's Church, Malden.....		11 00
" Grace Church, Medford.....		18 00
" St. John's Church, Millville.....		5 00
" Grace Church, New Bedford.....		20 00
" Grace Church, Newton.....		28 00
" St. Mary's Church, Newton.....		15 00
" St. John's Church, North Adams.....		8 00
" St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield.....		20 00
" Christ Church, Quincy.....		13 00
" St. Peter's Church, Salem.....		20 00
" Christ Church, Sheffield.....		2 50
" St. Mark's Church, South Adams.....		8 00
" St. Mark's Church, Southborough.....		8 00
" St. Anne's Church, South Lincoln.....		5 00
" Christ Church, Springfield.....		20 00
" St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge.....		7 50
" St. John's Church, Taunton.....		9 00
" St. Thomas's Church, Taunton.....		25 00
" Trinity Church, Van Dusenville.....		3 00
" Christ Church, Waltham.....		12 00
" Church of the Reconciliation, Webster.....		15 00
" Trinity Church, Weymouth.....		8 00
" St. John's Church, Wilkinsonville.....		5 00
" Trinity Church, Woburn.....		9 00
" Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl.....		5 00
" All Saints' Church, Worcester.....		40 00
" Trinity Church, Wrentham.....		10 00
" Christ Church, Hyde Park.....		10 00
" St. Thomas's Church, East Somerville.....		8 00
" St. James's Church, South Groveland.....		5 00
" Emmanuel Church, Somerville.....		10 00
" St. Paul's Church, Hopkinton.....		5 00
" Trinity Church, Melrose.....		8 00
" Grace Church, Salem.....		16 00
By Balance from last year.....		\$1,142 70
		513 88
		\$1,656 58

The following Parishes have failed to comply with the Canon on the Diocesan Fund:—

Amesbury, St. James's; Ashfield, St. John's; Cambridge, St. Peter's; Chelsea, St. Luke's; Fall River, Ascension; Framingham, St. John's; Lanesborough, St. Luke's; Lee, St. George's; Lenox, Trinity; Marblehead, St. Michael's; Milford, Trinity; Nantucket, St. Paul's; Natick, St. Paul's; North Attleborough, Grace; Northampton, St. John's; Rockdale, Christ; Westfield, Atonement.

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1879.			
May 14,	Paid Bill of Rev. W. H. Brooks, D.D.	\$5 00	
" 30,	" " Secretary	315 00	
July 1,	" " Sexton of St. Paul's Church	35 00	
" 9,	" " Mallory & Co.	7 68	
" 21,	" " A. Williams & Co.	35 00	
Sept. 4,	" " Wright & Potter Printing Company	377 93	
Nov. 25,	" " Rev. Joseph Jenks	23 60	
1880.			
Jan. 15,	" Appropriation to Episcopal Church Association	400 00	
April 1,	" Bill of Treasurer	100 00	
" 3,	" " Bishop Paddock	25 22	
" 5,	" " Rand, Avery, & Co.	39 75	
" 10,	" " for printing, stationery, and postage	20 75	
			\$1,385 98
	Balance on hand		270 65
			\$1,656 63

ANNUAL REPORT OF JOSEPH W. CLARK.

TREASURER OF THE EPISCOPAL CLERICAL FUND, BOSTON, APRIL 27, 1880.

Cash on hand as reported May 13, 1879.....		\$713 56
Income from Investments.....	\$328 06	
Convention Collection.....	147 80	
Received from Estate of W. W. Morland.....	447 08	
" " R. T. Paine, Esq.....	40 00	
Donations from Churches and others.....	591 47	
	<u>1,513 09</u>	
		\$2,526 64

Amount paid to Beneficiary No. 4.....	\$300 00
" " " " 3.....	300 00
" " " " 1.....	300 00
" " " " 2.....	300 00
" " " " 5.....	250 00
" " \$300 Republican-Valley Bond	611 70

Cash on hand April 27, 1880.....	1,851 70
	684 94

1879. RECEIPTS IN DETAIL.

May	13.	Estate of W. W. Morland.....	\$300 00
	16.	Cash from Convention Collection.....	147 80
July	2.	Interest on \$900 United-States 4 per cent Bond, to July 1.....	9 00
	3.	Coupons, \$1200 Burlington and Missouri Railroad in Nebraska, 6 per cent.....	36 08
"	15.	Grace Church, Flakdale.....	2 50
	17.	Coupon, United-States Bond.....	15 00
Oct.	1.	Interest on \$900 United-States 4 per cent Bonds, to Oct. 1.....	6 00
"	1.	Coupons, \$2,000 Burlington and Missouri 7 per cent Land-Grant Bonds, to Oct. 1.....	70 00
"	1.	Christ Church, Cambridge.....	19 00
	28.	Interest New England Trust Company (June 25, 1879).....	5 48
Nov.	28.	Donation from J. W. Clark.....	100 00
Dec.	13.	Emmanuel Church, Boston "Thanksgiving Collection".....	200 00
"	27.	St. Paul's Church, Brookline.....	184 41
"	29.	Grace Church, Amherst.....	9 40
"	29.	St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge.....	36 08
"	29.	Grace Church, Newton.....	5 00
"	30.	Interest on \$900 United-States 4 per cent Bond.....	9 00
"	30.	St. Paul's Church, Boston.....	98 81
"	30.	Christ Church, Andover.....	18 85
"	31.	St. Michael's Church, Marblehead.....	7 57
"	25.	Interest New England Trust Company.....	5 21
1880.			
Jan.	1.	Christ Church, Hyde Park.....	6 50
"	2.	Interest on \$500 United-States Bond.....	15 00
"	2.	Interest on \$1,200 Burlington and Missouri Railroad Bonds in Nebraska.....	36 00
"	10.	Christ Church, Quincy.....	11 00
"	13.	Church of Our Saviour, Longwood.....	85 27
"	16.	Church of the Messiah, Boston.....	52 38
"	30.	St. Andrew's Church, Hanover.....	16 00
Feb.	16.	Trinity Church, Weymouth.....	2 75
March	22.	Interest on \$900 United-States 4 per cent Bond.....	9 00
April	1.	H. R. Hinckley, Executor Estate W. W. Morland.....	247 06
"	2.	St. Paul's Church, Holyoke.....	10 00
"	2.	Rev. Leighton Parks.....	25 00
"	3.	Coupons, \$2,000 Burlington and Missouri 7 per cent Land-Grant Bonds.....	70 00
"	13.	Robert T. Paine, Esq.....	40 00
"	14.	Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl.....	50 00

INVESTMENTS.

\$600, Republican Valley Railroad Bond	\$600 00
\$1,200, Burlington and Missouri Cons. Bond, 6 per cent	1,200 00
\$2,000, Burlington and Missouri in Nebraska, Land-Grants	2,000 00
\$500, United States 6 per cent Bond, 1881	500 00
\$900, United States 4 per cent Bond	900 00
\$6,300, Missisquoi Railroad Bonds (suspended):	\$5,200 00

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR THE YEAR 1879-80.

Treasurer's Statement.

	No of Offerings.	Amount.
From Amesbury.....	1	\$5 00
Amherst.....	2	25 00
Andover.....	2	36 27
Arlington.....	1	10 00
Ashfield.....	2	12 50
Boston, Advent.....	1	108 99
" Advent, Eastern Convocation.....	1	17 79
" All Saints'.....	2	21 75
" Christ.....	2	50 00
" Emmanuel.....	1	1,200 00
" Emmanuel, Missionary Meeting, April 27, 1880.....	1	76 81
" Evangelists.....	1	14 42
" Grace, South Boston.....	1	18 00
" Good Shepherd.....	1	40 00
" Messiah.....	3	29 30
" St. Anne's Chapel, Dorchester.....	1	6 50
" St. James's.....	1	30 78
" St. John's, Highlands.....	1	74 34
" St. John's, East Boston.....	1	5 00
" St. John's, Jamaica Plain.....	2	50 00
" St. Margaret's, Brighton.....	2	20 15
" St. Mark's.....	1	95 60
" St. Mary's, Dorchester.....	2	35 98
" St. Mary, for Sailors.....	1	6 00
" St. Matthews, South Boston.....	2	33 50
" St. Paul's.....	3	1,000 00
" St. Stephen's.....	2	10 00
" Trinity.....	2	1,484 00
Bridgewater.....	2	14 98
Brookton.....	1	5 90
Brookline.....	2	296 61
Cambridge, Ascension.....	2	22 80
" Christ.....	2	106 22
" St. James's.....	2	26 28
" St. John's Memorial.....	1	55 00
" St. Peter's.....	1	25 00
Chelmsford.....	2	5 00
Chelsea.....	1	12 00
Clinton.....	2	36 00
Danvers.....	2	10 00
Dedham, St. Paul's.....	2	122 76
" Good Shepherd.....	1	11 12
Easthampton.....	2	10 00
" Sunday School.....	1	8 00
Fall River, Ascension.....	3	48 00
" Globe-Village Mission.....	2	12 73
Flakdale.....	2	8 00
Fitchburg.....	2	60 00
" Central Convocation.....	1	4 60
Framlingham.....	2	10 00
Gloucester.....	1	15 50
Great Barrington.....	1	30 40
Greenfield.....	1	17 50
Hanover.....	1	20 00
Haverhill, St. John's Evangelist.....	1	2 00
" Trinity.....	2	30 00
Holyoke.....	3	26 30
Hyde Park.....	2	28 85
Ipswich.....	1	5 00
" Eastern Convocation.....	1	19 51
Lawrence, Grace.....	2	68 40
" Grace, Eastern Convocation.....	1	13 81
" St. John's.....	2	50 00
<i>Amount carried forward.....</i>		<u>\$5,720 85</u>

	No. of Offerings.	Amount.
<i>Amount brought forward</i>		\$5,720 35
From Lee	2	13 45
Lenox	1	67 00
Longwood	2	173 76
Lowell, St. Anne's	5	129 61
" St. John's	2	53 00
" St. John's, Eastern Convocation		12 78
Lynn	1	34 40
Malden	5	50 00
Marblehead	1	25 10
Melrose	2	13 07
Millbury Mission	1	5 00
Millford	2	7 95
Millville	1	15 00
Nantucket	2	25 00
Natick	1	10 00
New Bedford, Grace	2	100 78
Newburyport	2	41 29
Newton, Grace	2	63 73
" Mesiah	1	10 15
" St. Mary's	2	14 39
North Adams	1	12 00
Northampton	2	10 00
North Attleborough	2	16 04
Otis	1	2 55
Peabody	1	5 00
Plymouth	1	4 20
" Southern Convocation		7 36
*Quincy	2	48 00
Rochdale	1	5 00
Salem, Grace	1	60 00
" St. Peter's	2	105 07
Sheffield	2	82 40
Somerville, Emmanuel	1	11 00
" St. Thomas's	1	25 00
Southborough	2	57 58
South Groveland	1	5 00
" Sunday School		1 86
Springfield	3	100 00
Stockbridge	2	75 63
Swansea	2	18 43
Taunton, St. John's	3	50 15
" St. Thomas's	2	268 50
Van Deusenville	2	40 00
Wakefield	1	15 00
Waltham	2	55 00
Webster	2	257 92
" Central Convocation		15 25
Westfield	2	7 52
West Springfield	1	3 93
Weymouth	1	5 50
Wilkinsonville	3	22 00
" Sunday School		2 00
Williamstown	1	1 00
Woburn	2	4 26
" Sunday School		5 00
Wood's Holl	2	45 07
Worcester, All Saints'	2	107 15
" St. Matthew's	1	19 50
Wrentham	2	15 00
Individual gifts		\$8,177 69
Special gifts for extinguishment of parish debts		483 00
Interest account		350 00
Massachusetts Church Missionary Society		105 00
Balance from account of previous year		40 00
		2 00
		<hr/> \$9,157 68

PAYMENTS.

To Arlington, St. John's	\$200 00
Ashfield, St. John's.....	300 00
Bridgewater, Trinity	250 00
Brighton, St. Margaret's.....	150 00
Brockton, St. Paul's	250 00
Cambridge, Ascension.....	250 00
Chelmsford, St. Anne's.....	100 00
Clinton, Good Shepherd.....	400 00
Danvers, Calvary	200 00
Dorchester, All Saints'	200 00
Easthampton, St. Philip's.....	200 00
Fall River Mission	300 00
Gloucester, St. John's.....	400 00
Lee, St. George's.....	252 07
Millford, Trinity.....	100 00
Millbury Mission	100 00
Millville, St. John's.....	250 00
Nantucket, St. Paul's	400 00
Natleck, St. Paul's.....	400 00
North Attleborough, Grace	200 00
Otis, St. Paul's.....	37 75
Peabody, St. Paul's	250 00
Plymouth, Christ	300 00
Rochdale, Christ.....	206 74
Sheffield, Christ.....	250 00
Somerville, St. Thomas's.....	200 00
Van Deusenville, Trinity.....	100 00
Wakefield, Emmanuel.....	200 00
Westfield, Atonement.....	372 21
Wilkinsonville, St. John's.....	200 00
Williamstown, St. John's.....	173 72
Woburn, Trinity	200 00
Wrentham, Trinity	250 00
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Special for extinguishing debt, Somerville, Emmanuel.....	\$7,642 49
" " " " Westfield, Atonement.....	100 00
" " " " Millville, St. John's.....	150 00
Publication and distribution of "The Diocese"	186 68
Expense of missionary meetings.....	11 50
Expense account.....	39 90
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Balance	\$8,230 57
	927 11
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\$9,157 68

J. S. BLATCHFORD, *Treasurer.*

DR.

HOWARD STOCKTON, *Treasurer, in account with the Society*

		Charity.	Annuity.
1879.			
May 1,	To balance.....		\$537 96
July 14,	" \$2,000 U.S. 5-20 bonds, called.....		2,000 00
Aug. 20,	" Contribution from St. Mary's Church, Dorchester.....	\$17 34	
" 25,	" " " St. Michael's Church, Marblehead.....	8 50	
" 20,	" " " Grace Church, Lawrence.....	48 06	
" 20,	" " " Rev. William Lawrence.....	50 00	
Dec. 1,	" " " Christ Church, Quincy.....	11 50	
" 1,	" " " St. Thomas's Church, Taunton.....	25 50	
" 23,	" " " All Saints' Church, Worcester.....	22 00	
1880.			
Jan. 1,	" " " Grace Ch., Newton, for an annuity....		5 00
" 1,	" \$1,000 Boston 6 per cent bond, water loan, matured.....		1,000 00
Feb. 17,	" Contribution from Church of Our Saviour, Longwood..	45 54	
April 2,	" Dividends and interest for the year ending April 2, 1880.	1,541 65	2,794 26
" 2,	" Payments for membership " " " " " "	66 00	
" 2,	" Payments for annuities " " " " " "		455 60
		\$1,538 06	\$6,782 12

BOSTON, April 24, 1880.

The undersigned have examined the foregoing account, and find it to be correctly cast, and properly vouched for.

We have also seen the evidences of property on hand belonging to the Society, amounting in all to the par value of \$77,542.93, and to the market value of \$83,369.93.

JOS. S. FAY,
FRANCIS C. FOSTER, } *Auditing Committee.*

for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

CR.

		<i>Charity.</i>	<i>Annuity.</i>
1879.			
May 1,	By Balance.....	\$309 44	
Aug. 25,	" Paid for 20 shares State National Bank		\$2,249 12
Dec. 18,	" " " 2 " " " " ..		234 00
1880.			
Jan. 1,	" Addition to policy 3,848 in Mass. Hosp. Life Ins. Co....		562 97
" 1,	" " " " 4,245 " " " " "		325 22
" 15,	" Paid for 15 shares Lyman Mills.....		1,538 25
April 2,	" Payments to annuitants during the year ending Apr. 2, '80		1,018 75
" 2,	" Rent of safe and expenses.....	13 56	41 40
" 2,	" Payments for the relief of widows and orphans	1,410 00	
" 2,	" Cash on hand.....	106 09	812 41
E. & O. E.		\$1,838 09	\$6,782 12

H. STOCKTON, *Treasurer.*

APPENDIX C.

A Standing Order of Business and Rules of Order of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY OF THE SESSION.

A.M.

At the hour appointed for the opening of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, when the order of procedure shall be as follows:—

I. 1. The Lord's Prayer, and the "Prayer to be used at the Meetings of Conventions."

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats and votes, and of those entitled only to seats in the Convention. He shall then call the names of Parishes, and receive certificates, as by Sect. 4, Canon 2, Title I.

3. The President shall appoint a Committee on Qualifications, to whom the list of the Clergy and the Credentials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred.

II. Morning Prayer, and Sermon or Charge, and the administration of the Holy Communion.

III. 1. Immediately after Divine Service, the Committee on Qualifications shall report. The Convention shall act at once and without debate upon all undisputed names and credentials. All questions of membership raised by the Committee or by the Convention shall be laid aside temporarily.

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Lay Delegates, as the same shall have been approved by the Convention.

3. A constitutional quorum of both Orders being present, the President shall declare the Convention organized for business.

4. The election of a Secretary.

5. The reading of the Rules of Order of the last Convention.

6. The appointment by the President of five Standing Committees; viz., a Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, to consist of three Clergymen and three Laymen; a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to consist of five members, three Clergymen and two Laymen; an Executive Committee, — for nominating the Preachers of Sermons before this Body, and for recommending the time and place for holding the next Convention, — to consist of three members, two Clergymen and one Layman; a Committee on Unfinished Business; and a Committee on Finance, to consist each of three members, one Clergyman and two Laymen.

7. The receiving and referring of papers in respect to the admission of new Parishes.

8. A recess shall be ordered.

P.M.

IV. Report of the Committee on Qualifications, on Certificates and Documents laid aside. The Convention shall take immediate action. Subsequent Reports of the Committee on Qualifications shall be in order at any time.

V. 1. The Annual Address of the Bishop, unless he shall prefer another time for its delivery.

2. Reference of matters therein contained, if so ordered, to Committees.

3. Presentation of subjects by resolutions, to be referred without debate to Standing or Special Committees.

VI. Reports and actions upon them, in the following order:—

1. Parochial Reports to be received by the Bishop.

2. Report from the Committee on New Parishes, the Admission of the Parishes, and the Reception of their Lay Delegates.

3. Report from the Standing Committee.

4. Report from the Diocesan Board of Missions.

5. Reports from the Convocations.

6. Reports from Special Committees appointed at the preceding Convention.

7. Report from the Treasurer of the Convention.

8. Report from the Registrar of the Convention.

9. Report from the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

10. Report from the Episcopal Church Association.

11. Report from Trustees of Fund for the Erection of Churches, etc.

12. Report from the Trustees of Donations.

13. Report from the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.

14. Report from the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

15. Report from the Episcopal Clerical Fund.

16. Reports from any other Church or Charitable Societies recognized by the Convention.

17. Reports from any of the Standing Committees of the Convention, in their order, as in III. 6. If any report be not ready in the order prescribed above, more time may be allowed; and it shall be presented and be in order at the first vacancy in the regular business after it shall be prepared.

VII. Miscellaneous business.

VIII. Adjournment to the second day.

SECOND DAY OF THE SESSION.

IX. 1. Morning Prayer at 9 A.M.

2. Reading of Minutes of the first day, and action upon them.

3. The calling of the roll.

X. 1. The finishing of the business which was under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Convention.

2. The disposal of unfinished business in the order above prescribed for the first day.

XI. 1. The Standing Committees shall be called in their order: reports may be received from any of them, and action may be taken thereon.

2. Reports of Special or other Committees on matters referred to them during the session, and action thereon.

XII. Miscellaneous business.

XIII. Elections, to be proceeded with at 11 o'clock A.M., in the following order:—

1. Of Treasurer of the Convention.

2. Of Registrar.

3. Of Deputies to the General Convention.

4. Of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

5. Selection of persons to be nominated to the General Convention, or to the Board of Trustees, as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

6. Election of Members of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

7. Of Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

8. Of Committee on entertaining the Clerical Members of the Convention.

XIV. Miscellaneous business.

XV. Adjournment to the third day, if the Convention be prolonged.

THIRD OR OTHER SUBSEQUENT DAY OF THE SESSION.

XVI. 1. Morning prayer, reading, etc., of the Minutes, reception of new members, calling of the roll, and finishing of business under consideration at last adjournment, as on the second day.

2. The disposal of the unfinished business of the Convention, in the order above prescribed.

XVII. When the Convention shall be prepared to adjourn without day, there shall be reading of the Minutes not already approved, and action thereon; then, after Prayers and Benediction by the President, the Convention shall stand so adjourned, without day.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

No member shall absent himself from the Convention, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the Convention, nor more than once, until others desiring to speak shall have spoken.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put shall vote, unless he be personally interested in the question, or be excused by the Convention for reasons assigned.

RULE II. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE III. No motion shall be considered as before the Convention, unless seconded by a member not belonging to the same Parish with the mover; and every motion shall, if required, be reduced to writing, and the name of the mover appended.

RULE IV. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read, and entered on the Minutes, unless otherwise determined by the Convention; and, if accompanied by resolutions, the question shall be on adopting them.

RULE V. When a question is before the Convention, it shall be in order — 1, To lay on the table; 2, To postpone to a day certain; 3, To commit; 4, To amend; 5, To postpone indefinitely; and motions for any of these proceedings shall have precedence in the order in which they are here named, and a question on any of these shall be decided before the original motion.

RULE VI. If the question under debate contains distinct propositions, the same shall be divided at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

RULE VII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order; but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter, may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

If a motion to lay on the table an amendment be carried, the matter before the Convention shall be proceeded with as if no such amendment had been offered.

RULE VIII. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

RULE IX. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking, and, if unqualified, shall be decided without debate.

RULE X. All questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Convention.

RULE XI. Record shall be made upon the minutes of every motion or resolution which is put upon its passage, or upon which any action allowed by Rule V. shall have been taken; but, with the consent of the Convention, the mover may withdraw a motion or resolution at any time before such action has been taken, or it has been put upon its passage; in which case it shall not be entered on the Minutes.

RULE XII. An address or communication from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

RULE XIII. A question having been decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, nor unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority on the original decision.

RULE XIV. In elections by ballot, the polls shall be closed when the Tellers or Committee appointed to count the ballots withdraw from the room in which the Convention is held; and no clerical or lay members shall be allowed to vote after that time, except by direct permission of the Convention, on the application in form of each member desiring so to vote; and the reasons of his not having previously voted shall be stated by him to the Convention before his application is entertained.

RULE XV. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

RULE XVI. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

RULE XVII. The Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention.

RULE XVIII. For the suspension of any part of the Standing Order of Business, or of any of the Rules of Order, the consent of two-thirds of the members present shall be necessary.

GUIDE IN ORGANIZING NEW PARISHES.

A resolution of Convention (Journal of 1871, pp. 45, 46, and 196) recommends, as a guide to new Parishes in organizing, the form of Constitution and By-Laws hereto appended. An important requirement of the Constitution of the Diocese is, however, first to be noted; viz.,

ARTICLE 12.

ADMISSION OF A PARISH INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. To entitle a Parish to admission into union with the Convention, such Parish shall submit to the Convention a certified copy of its Articles of Association, or other satisfactory evidence of its organization (or, if specially incorporated, of its Charter), and of its Constitution and By-Laws; in which it must be declared that such Parish accedes to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship, the Constitution and Canons, of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese; and such Parish shall lay before the Convention written evidence, subscribed by the Wardens and Vestry, that it has been duly organized as such for the space of one year, and during that time has held regular public services.

SECT. 2. Copies of said Articles of Association or Charter and of the Constitution and By-Laws of such Parish, together with the circumstances and need of its organization, must also be submitted to the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese at least one month before the Annual Session of the Convention, and be approved by them respectively; or, if not so approved, he or they shall report to the Convention the reasons in writing of such disapproval. The whole subject, with all the documents, shall be referred to a special committee of three Clerical and three Lay Members of the Convention to report thereon.

The Resolution and the recommended Form of Constitution and By-Laws here follow :—

Resolved, That, in order to secure as much uniformity as local circumstances will permit, and also to place the management of Parish affairs on a wise and just basis, the following Form of Constitution and By-Laws is recommended :—

CONSTITUTION.

WHEREAS, The undersigned have associated themselves together for the purpose of worshipping Almighty God according to the faith and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, and have for that purpose formed a Parish at.....
in.....they therefore declare the following to be the objects, conditions, and articles of their said association, viz.,—

First, The name of this Parish shall be "The Rector, Church-Wardens, and Vestrymen of.....;" or, "The Parish of....."

Second, This Parish acknowledges itself to be a member of and to belong to the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and in the Diocese of Massachusetts. As such, it accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of said Church, and acknowledges the authority of the same accordingly.

Third, Any male person of the age of twenty-one years who has subscribed to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Parish, and who has aided in maintaining public worship therein for a period of twelve months immediately preceding any meeting, either by regular attendance thereon, or by pecuniary aid in hiring a sitting, or otherwise, shall be considered a member of the Parish, and entitled to vote in all its affairs while he continues such member; but no member who shall disclaim or refuse conformity to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid shall be eligible to any office or function in this Parish, or be entitled to vote in its affairs.

Fourth, The Rector of this Parish shall be elected by the members thereof, unless the By-Laws otherwise provide; but no person shall be eligible to that office unless he shall have had Episcopal ordination, and unless he be in full standing with the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid, and recognized as such by the Bishop of this Diocese, or, in case of a vacancy, by the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Fifth, All the property of this Parish shall be taken and held subject to the control and disposition of the Vestry of the same, but shall not be sold or conveyed without the vote of the Parish; but the rents, revenues, and incomes of the same, shall be applied from time to time to the support of the Rector or Minister thereof, and for the erection and repairs of the church, churchyard, parsonage, and other buildings belonging to the same, and other necessary Parish charges, and to no other use or purpose whatever.

Sixth, This Constitution may be amended as follows: Any proposed amendment shall be submitted to a meeting of the Vestry, and upon its recommendation shall be submitted to a meeting of the Parish, and, if approved by the same, shall be submitted to the next Diocesan Convention, and upon its approval shall be deemed and taken to be a part of this Constitution.

BY-LAWS.

SECTION 1. The annual meeting shall be held on Monday in Easter Week, in the church, chapel, place of worship, or such place as the Wardens may appoint, at which meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, any business may be transacted without any previous notice thereof. Notice of this meeting shall be posted seven days prior thereto on the church door, and given from the chancel on the Sunday previous by the clergyman officiating. All meetings shall be opened with prayer.

SECT. 2. Special meetings shall be called by the Wardens, or, in case of vacancy, by three members of the Vestry, whenever they deem it advisable, or whenever so requested in writing either by the Rector or any five members

of the Parish; but at special meetings no business shall be transacted unless specified in the notice calling the same. Such meetings shall be notified by the Clerk, by mailing or delivering to each member of the Parish a written or printed notice of the time, place, and purposes of the meeting, four days at least before the same is held.

SECT. 3. At all meetings of the Parish, the Rector, if present, or in his absence one of the Wardens, shall preside; in their absence, a temporary presiding officer shall be chosen by the members present.

SECT. 4. At a meeting of the Parish five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but any less number may adjourn such meeting.

SECT. 5. At the annual meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, there shall be chosen two Wardens (who shall also act as Assessors), a Treasurer and Collector, a Clerk, and such number of Vestrymen, not exceeding as may be determined by the members present, all of whom shall constitute the Vestry: such election to be in all cases by ballot; and the person having the highest number of ballots shall be elected, the officers so elected to serve until the next annual meeting, and until others are elected and qualified in their stead. Any vacancies may be filled by the Vestry. All such officers, except the Vestry, shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties, the fact of taking the oath being recorded by the Clerk. Delegates to the Diocesan Convention shall be chosen at the annual meeting by ballot, or as the members present may determine.

SECT. 6. The Wardens and Vestrymen shall have the management and oversight of all the temporal affairs of the Parish, and shall, in connection with the Rector, make necessary preparations for public worship and for the music at the same. They shall meet as often as once in every three months, and whenever requested by the Rector or either Warden. At each meeting the record of the previous meeting shall be read and approved or amended. The Rector shall be notified of the meetings of the Vestry, and, if present, shall preside, and be entitled, in common with each member of the Vestry, to one vote.

SECT. 7. The Clerk shall keep a true record of all the proceedings of the Parish, and also of doings of the Wardens and Vestry, in suitable books for that purpose; and shall also record all deeds or transfers of pews, for which latter duty he shall be entitled to the sum of fifty cents for each deed. At any Parish meeting any member may call for the reading of the records of the Vestry meeting for the preceding year.

SECT. 8. The Treasurer shall keep a true account of all moneys received and paid out by him, and present a full account thereof and of the financial condition of the Parish at each annual meeting; and such account shall be audited and approved by the Wardens and Vestrymen, or a committee thereof. He shall pay no sum exceeding ten dollars, except for regular fixed salaries, without the approval of at least one Warden or two Vestrymen, or the previous direction of the Parish or Vestry. He shall give bonds, whenever required by the Wardens or Vestry, for the faithful performance of his duties.

SECT. 9. All pews shall be liable to assessment for the support of the Rector and the maintenance of public worship, the repairs of the church, and all other necessary Parish charges, as the Parish may determine, according to the provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth.

SECT. 10. These By-Laws may be altered, amended, or repealed, at any regular meeting of the Parish, by a majority of the legal members present; *provided* notice thereof is set forth in the notice calling the meeting.

FORMS OF APPLICATIONS TO THE STANDING COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS SEEKING THE SACRED MINISTRY.

I.—CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

The Postulant for admission to Candidateship may at any time, after application to the Bishop duly made, apply to the Standing Committee of the Diocese for recommendation to the Bishop for admission as a candidate. He should present an application in the following form :—

(1) The undersigned respectfully applies to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts for recommendation to the Bishop for admission as a Candidate, and presents the accompanying Testimonials.

If the Testimonials are signed by others than a Rector and Vestry, let him here state the reasons.

(2) TESTIMONIALS.

We whose names are hereunder written testify, from our personal knowledge and belief, that A. B. is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that he is a Communicant of the said Church in good standing; and do furthermore declare, that, in our opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for entrance on a course of preparation for the Holy Ministry.

Here follow the signatures of the Rector and a majority of the Vestry of the Parish or Congregation to which the Postulant belongs.

I hereby certify that the above Testimonials were signed by the Rector and a majority of the Vestry of.....Church in....., said Vestry being duly convened, on the.....day of.....188..

(Signed)

Clerk of the Vestry

But these Testimonials may be signed, in circumstances justifying such alternative, by at least one Presbyter and four respectable Laymen, Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church. The Standing Committee shall be sole judge of the propriety of receiving Testimonials signed by others than a Rector and Vestry.

If a person not having had Episcopal ordination, but acknowledged as an ordained Minister or Licentiate in any other denomination of Christians, desires to become a Candidate, he first applies to the Bishop, as directed in Canon 2, § vii. of Title I. of the Digest, and, when the Bishop authorizes further procedure, he should present to the Standing Committee the *Application* and *Testimonials* above given, and with them the two following certificates:—

(1) A Testimonial from at least twelve members of the denomination from which he comes, or twelve members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or twelve persons,—in part of the denomination from which he comes, and in part of this Church,—satisfactory to the Committee, certifying that the Postulant has, for three years last past, lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and

(2) A Testimonial from at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that they believe the Postulant to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church; and that, in their opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for usefulness in this Church.

II.—FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

(1) The undersigned, a Candidate for Holy Orders, respectfully applies to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts for recommendation to the Bishop for admission to the Sacred Order of Deacons, and presents the accompanying Testimonials.

If the Testimonials are signed by others than the Minister and Vestry of the Parish of which he is a member, let him here state the reasons.

(2) We whose names are hereunder written do testify, from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord.....

Here follow the signatures of the Minister and Vestry of the Parish or Congregation of which the Candidate is a member, or of the Vestry alone, if the Parish be vacant.

I hereby certify that the above Testimonial was signed by the Minister and Vestry of.....Church in.....at a meeting duly convened and held on the.....day of.....188..

(Signed)

Clerk of the Vestry.

But if there be no organized Parish or Congregation where the Candidate has resided, or if, from some peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, he shall be unable to procure Testimonials from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, the Standing Committee may accept Testimonials of the purport above stated from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and in that case it is recommended that the residences of the signers should be given, and that, unless they are personally known to the Standing Committee, their Rectors should certify to the fact of their being Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The Candidate shall also lay before the Standing Committee a Testimonial, signed by at least one respectable Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following words:—

(3) I [or we] do certify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as I [or we] know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, I [or we] think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons. This Testimonial is founded on my [or our] personal knowledge of the said A. B. for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time, upon evidence that is satisfactory to me [or us]. In witness whereof, I [or we] have hereunto set my [or our] hand [or hands], this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord.....

In the case of a Candidate who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister or Licentiate by some other denomination of Christians, the Testimonials are required to cover only the time since his admission to Candidature.

A Candidate for the Office and Ministration of a Deacon only shall not be ordained within one year from his admission, unless the Bishop, *with the consent of the Standing Committee*, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period, in no case to be less than six months.

A Candidate for Priest's Orders shall not be ordained to the Diaconate within three years from his admission, unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons, *with the consent of three-fourths of the Standing Committee*, shall admit him to the Diaconate while yet prosecuting his course of theological studies; in which case he may be ordained at any time after the expiration of one year from his admission.

III. — FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

(1) The undersigned respectfully applies to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts for recommendation to the Bishop for admission to Priest's Orders, and presents the accompanying Testimonials.

If signed by others than the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, let him here state the reasons.

(2) We whose names are hereunder written do testify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord.....

Here follow the signatures of the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where the applicant resides.

I hereby certify that the above Testimonial was signed by the Minister and Vestry of.....Church, in....., said Vestry being duly convened, on the.....day of....., 188.....
(Signed)

Clerk of the Vestry.

But if the Parish be vacant, or if the applicant be the Minister of the Parish, the above Testimonial is to be signed by the Vestry alone.

And in case peculiar circumstances not affecting his moral character, or the want of a Vestry where he is residing or ministering, should hinder the procurement of Testimonials as above, the Standing Committee may accept

Testimonials, of the same tenor, from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church. It is best, that, in this case also, their Rectors should certify to the fact of their being Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The Candidate shall also lay before the Standing Committee a Testimonial, signed by at least one Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following form:—

(3) I do certify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, has lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. This Testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B. for one year last past, and, for the residue of the said time, upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord.....

Candidates for the Priesthood, ordained Deacons under Sect. V. or Sect. VI. of Canon 6, shall not be required to have Testimonials covering more time than has elapsed since their admission to Candidature.

A Candidate for Priest's Orders, ordained Deacon within three years preceding the time of his application for recommendation for ordination to the Priesthood, shall only be required to have Testimonials extending back to the time of his ordination, *provided* nothing shall have in the meanwhile occurred that tends to invalidate the force of the evidence on which the Candidate was ordained a Deacon.

A Candidate for Priest's Orders, who has been a Candidate for the Ministry of any other denomination of Christians, may be allowed, as part of the duration of his candidature, by the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, the period during which he may have been a Student of Theology, or Candidate in such other denomination: *provided* that the time so allowed shall not exceed two years.

A Candidate for Priesthood shall not be ordained within three years from his admission, nor, in any case, within one year from his reception of Deacon's Orders, except by the advice and consent of three-fourths of all the members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, at a meeting duly convened.

NOTICE.—The Standing Committee meets on the first Tuesday of every month except August.

Candidates desiring to be recommended to the Bishop for Orders, and persons seeking to be admitted Candidates, will please send their papers to the Rev. Dr. Burroughs, Secretary, 82 Mount Vernon Street, Boston.

All applications lie over one month, and are published in one of the church papers.

Those who expect to be ordained should prepare their papers two months before the time for their ordination.

H. BURROUGHS, *Secretary*.

EXTRACT

FROM THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS PRESENTED TO THE CONVENTION OF 1842, AND ADOPTED BY THAT BODY; REPRINTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT CONVOCATION, IN THEIR REPORT TO THE CONVENTION OF 1880.

" . . . They would recommend, that the State be divided into four Districts or Associations, — 1st, the Central, comprising the Churches in Boston, Charlestown, Cambridge, and Roxbury; 2d, the Eastern, comprising the Churches in the counties of Middlesex and Essex, other than those excepted; 3d, the Southern, including the Churches in the counties of Norfolk (except St. James's at Roxbury), Plymouth, Bristol, and Dukes; and, 4th, the Western, comprising all the Churches in Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire, Franklin, and Berkshire, — whose duty it shall be to watch over and promote the missionary spirit in their respective Districts, and to confer with the Board in regard thereto.

" And, further, that all moneys paid into the treasuries of the Associations shall be remitted to the Board, and no District Association shall have the right to give any direction to moneys paid into its treasury other than such as shall have been designated by the individual contributor or Church; and all moneys received by any District Association without such special appropriation shall be remitted by such Association as unappropriated funds, subject to the control of the Board of Missions.

" They also recommend, that these Associations form themselves into regular bodies, with officers, for the transaction of business; to meet as often as their convenience will permit, and take upon themselves the duty of promoting the objects of the Board within their respective limits, and remitting thereto, from time to time, the collections they may make for missionary purposes, domestic and foreign, with such directions respecting the disposal of the same as they may deem proper; and making such communications as they may consider interesting and important as to the state and character of the missionary feeling and other interests within their Districts, and report formally an account of their doings annually, to be embodied in the Annual Report of the Board to the Convention.

" Such a system has been long tried by other bodies of Christians, and is yet in full operation because it has been found so effectual for the accomplishment of its object. It is the system, essentially, of the Church Missionary Society in England, one of the best-managed institutions in the world. It combines the great advantage of union of purpose with division of labor.

" At any of the meetings of the several Associations, it will be the duty of the Board to depute one of its members, or some other efficient person, to attend, and aid in its business, when requested, and from time to time to make such suggestions and recommendations as the requirements and duty of the Church shall seem to render necessary.

" It is further recommended, that public meetings of the Board shall be held in Boston on the first Tuesday in October, January, and April, and that Delegates be deputed from the several Associations to attend said meetings.

" The Committee would further propose, that the Convention ratify the doings of the Board of Missions, by which, in November last, this Board offered to act as the General Agent of *all* the missionary operations of the Diocese, it being expressly stated that it was not their design or desire to control, or in any manner to give their own direction to, the funds intrusted to their care, either for use or for transmission. It is recommended to the Convention, that the Board of Missions be now constituted the Agent through which all the missionary funds of the State shall be passed, the above stipulation being clearly understood; namely, that all contributors shall have the power to direct in what manner their contributions shall be expended; thus making this Board an Auxiliary to the General Domestic and Foreign Committees of the Church. It is also recommended that the Report of the Board of Missions, with the Treasurer's account, be inserted in the Journal of the Convention."

APPENDIX D.

I.

LIST OF CLERGYMEN

IN THE

DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

April, 1880.

The Rt. Rev. BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK, D.D., Bishop.

- The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, officiating at St. James's, North Cambridge.
 The Rev. CHARLES COLLARD ADAMS, Minister at St. George's, Lee.
 The Rev. ALEXANDER VIETS GRISWOLD ALLEN, D.D., Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, and Missionary in the Church of the Ascension Mission, Cambridge.
 The Rev. FREDERICK BAYLIES ALLEN, Deacon, Assistant at Trinity Church, Boston.
 The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Boston.
 The Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN ANDERSON, Rector of St. James's, Great Barrington, and in charge of Trinity Church, Van Deusenville.
 The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D.D., Rector of St. Peter's, Salem.
 The Rev. BENJAMIN WARREN ATWELL, Springfield.
 The Rev. WILLIAM ROBINSON BARCOCK, D.D., Narragansett Pier, R.I.
 The Rev. ARTHUR M. BACKUS, Rector of St. Paul's, Dedham.
 The Rev. SAMUEL REED BAILEY, Monmouth, Me.
 The Rev. LEONIDAS B. BALDWIN, Rector of St. Mark's, Boston.
 The Rev. ARTHUR HENRY BARRINGTON, Assistant at Ascension Church, Fall River.
 The Rev. WILLIAM STOODLEY BARTLET, Registrar of the Diocese, Chelsea.
 The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT, Rector of All Saints', Dorchester, Boston.
 The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Somerville.
 The Rev. LEVI BOYER, Rector of St. Paul's, Nantucket.
 The Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, Rector of Christ Church, Springfield, and in charge of the Good Shepherd Chapel, West Springfield.
 The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., Rector of Trinity Church, Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D., officiating at St. Andrew's, Hanover.
 The Rev. ARBOTT BROWN, Secretary of the Mexican League, New York.
 The Rev. BELNO ADDISON BROWN, Rector of St. Thomas's, Methuen.
 The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, Rector of St. James's, Roxbury, Boston.

- The Rev. GEORGE HICKMAN BUCK, Deacon, Assistant at Emmanuel Church, Boston.
- The Rev. FREDERICK BURGESS, JUN., Rector of Grace Church, Amherst.
- The Rev. JOHN THOMPSON BURRILL, officiating at St. Luke's, Chelsea.
- The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Boston, and Examining Chaplain.
- The Rev. ELI HAWLEY CANFIELD, D.D., Arlington, Vt.
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Andover, Christ.	Lowell, St. Anne's.
Ashfield, St. John's.	" St. John's.
Beverly, St. Peter's.	Lynn, St. Stephen's.
Boston, Christ.	Malden, St. Paul's.
" Trinity.	Marblehead, St. Michael's.
" St. Paul's.	Medford, Grace.
" Church of the Messiah.	Melrose, Trinity.
" Church of the Advent.	Millford, Trinity.
" Emmanuel.	Millville, St. John's.
" St. Mark's.	Nantucket, St. Paul's.
" St. Mary for Sailors.	Natick, St. Paul's.
" (South), St. Matthew's.	New Bedford, Grace.
" Good Shepherd.	Newburyport, St. Paul's.
" (East), St. John's.	Newton (Lower Falls), St. Mary's.
" (Highlands), St. James's.	" Grace.
" (Highlands), St. John's.	" (West) and Anburndale, Ch.
" (Charlestown), St. John's.	of the Messiah.
" (Dorchester), St. Mary's.	North Attleborough, Grace.
" (Jamaica Plain), St. John's.	North Adams, St. John's.
" (Brighton), St. Margaret's.	Northampton, St. John's.
Bridgewater, Trinity.	Oxford, Grace.
Brookline, St. Paul's.	Pittsfield, St. Stephen's.
Cambridge, Christ.	Plymouth, Christ.
" St. Peter's.	Quincy, Christ.
" St. James's.	Rochdale, Christ.
Chelsea, St. Luke's.	Salem, St. Peter's.
Chicopee, Grace.	" Grace.
Clinton, Good Shepherd.	Sheffield, Christ.
Danvers, Calvary.	Somerville, Emmanuel.
Dedham, St. Paul's.	" St. Thomas's.
" Good Shepherd.	South Adams, St. Mark's.
Easthampton, St. Philip's.	South Groveland, St. James's.
Fall River, Ascension.	Southborough, St. Mark's.
Fiskdale, Grace.	Springfield, Christ.
Fitchburg, Christ.	Stockbridge, St. Paul's.
Framingham, St. John's.	Swansea, Christ.
Gloucester, St. John's.	Taunton, St. Thomas's.
Great Barrington, St. James's.	" St. John's.
Greenfield, St. James's.	Van Deusenville, Trinity.
Hanover, St. Andrew's.	Wakefield, Emmanuel.
Haverhill, Trinity.	Waltham, Christ.
Holyoke, St. Paul's.	Webster, Church of the Reconciliation.
Hopkinton, St. Paul's.	Westfield, Church of the Atonement.
Hyde Park, Christ.	Weymouth, Trinity.
Ipswich, Ascension.	Wilkinsonville, St. John's.
Lanesborough, St. Luke's.	Woburn, Trinity.
Lawrence, Grace.	Wood's Holl, Church of the Messiah.
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Trinity.	Marblehead, St. Michael's.
St. Paul's.	Medford, Grace.
Church of the Messiah.	Melrose, Trinity.
Church of the Advent.	Millford, Trinity.
Emmanuel.	Millville, St. John's.
St. Mark's.	Nantucket, St. Paul's.
St. Mary for Sailors.	Natick, St. Paul's.
(South), St. Matthew's.	New Bedford, Grace.
Good Shepherd.	Newburyport, St. Paul's.
(East), St. John's.	Newton (Lower Falls), St. Mary's.
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" St. Peter's.	Quincy, Christ.
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Clinton, Good Shepherd.	Sheffield, Christ.
Danvers, Calvary.	Somerville, Emmanuel.
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Fitchburg, Christ.	Stockbridge, St. Paul's.
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Ipswich, Ascension.	Wilkinsonville, St. John's.
Lanesborough, St. Luke's.	Woburn, Trinity.
Lawrence, Grace.	Wood's Holl, Church of the Messiah.
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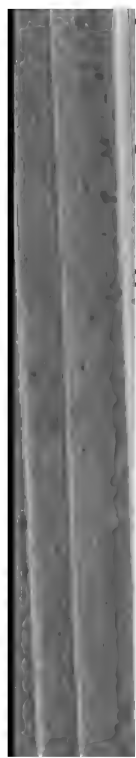
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